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Semesters Available: Fall, Spring, or Academic Year
GPA Requirement: 3.0
Language of Instruction: English

Academic Calendar:
Semester 1: February-June
Semester 2: July-November

Examination timetables are usually only confirmed about one month from the start of the exams. Students should ensure that travel plans allow for the exam period.

Through a reciprocal agreement between University of Sydney and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) at Cornell University, CALS undergraduate students may apply to enroll directly in any field of study at Sydney for a semester or a year. Students study alongside Sydney and international students, and are eligible to participate in the many activities sponsored by Sydney and its student body.

This exchange program is open to undergraduate CALS students of sophomore or higher standing, and is awarded on first-come, first-serve basis.

- One of Australia’s top universities with an International reputation for excellence in teaching and research;
- Diverse range of courses, in both leading-edge and traditional areas of study;
- Highly-experienced and innovative teachers and comprehensive facilities;
- Atmosphere of heritage and tradition featuring Neo-Gothic sandstone buildings at the Camperdown campus;
- Convenient location, only a short bus ride to the central business district of Sydney;
- Fabulous campus lifestyle featuring a huge variety of sporting facilities, student clubs and social activities.

Areas of Study

Click here for a link to all areas of study
Click here for “units of study” available to visiting students

Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources (including Agricultural Economics; Agricultural Science; Animal Science; Applied Economics; Applied Science; Horticultural Science; Land and Water Science; Resource Economics)

Economics and Business (including Accounting; Banking, Finance and Quantitative; Finance; Business and Commercial Law; Business Information Systems; Commercial Law; Econometrics; Economics; Finance; Financial Economics; Human Resource Management and Coaching; International Business; International Security; Management; Management Decision Sciences; Management of Technology; Marketing; Marketing Strategy and Marketing Theory and Research; Organisational Analysis and Strategy; Public Policy; Supply Chain and Logistics; Management; Taxation)

Science (including Biochemistry; Biological Sciences; Chemistry; Climate Change; Coastal Environments; Digital Media; Earth Sciences; Ecology; Environmental Science; Geography; Geology; Geophysics; History and Philosophy of Science; Marine Ecology; Marine Sciences; Mathematics and Statistics; Microbial Biosciences; Molecular Biology; Molecular Biotechnology; Nanoscience and Technology; Neuroscience; Number Theory; Nutritional and Food Sciences; Physics; Plant Ecology; Tropical Marine Network Program)
Internships

The University of Sydney coordinates a special credit-bearing internship program for an additional fee, although some CALS Exchange scholarships may be available to offset these costs. Please consult the internship website for information about their internship program (and contact the CALS Exchange Coordinator about the scholarship).

Internships are offered in the following areas:

- Accounting;
- Architecture;
- Banking & Finance;
- Engineering;
- Environmental Science;
- Events & Public Relations;
- Government & Policy;
- Human Resource Management;
- Information Technology;
- Marine Biology;
- Marketing;
- Media and Communications;
- Medical Research;
- Not For Profit; and
- Operations.

Campuses

The University of Sydney has a network of teaching campuses spread throughout the Sydney area.

The main Camperdown/Darlington campus is well known as the home of the historic sandstone buildings, gargoyles and cloisters, lawns and courtyards. But this is just one part of the picture.

Across the campuses the University has lecture theatres, teaching spaces and studios with state-of-the-art facilities, laboratories with the latest technology, clinical schools to support professional development and experimental farms and research stations to put theory into practice.

Here is a guide to the University’s campuses. Each campus page tells you how to get to the campus and what faculties you’ll find there, as well as providing links to campus maps, contact details and parking information.

Student Reports

What do other CALS students have to say about studying at Deakin? Links to student reports can be found on the main Exchange Partner webpage. Be sure to check them out!

Teaching Methods

The Australian academic system is based upon the UK system. There is a range of teaching methods depending on your discipline of study. You will generally have a combination of lecture and tutorial classes. Lectures can vary in size from 35 to 200 students; tutorial classes are much smaller and allow for open discussion of issues raised in lectures. Depending on your discipline you may undertake laboratory classes. Fieldwork also forms a large part of some units of study. The formal contact hours vary across units, however great emphasis is places on independent study outside of class contact hours.

Assessments & Grading

The University of Sydney uses a four level passing grade system and the majority of students are expected to achieve a Pass or Credit grade. The following table is a guide only:

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Classes (or “Units of Study”)

CALS Exchange students are required to take 24 credit points (per semester) while at Sydney.

Accommodation

University of Sydney works with Urbanest Student Accommodation to provide comfortable, fully furnished rooms, with ensuite bathrooms, WiFi and air conditioning. These rooms are in a central location that is close to transport and only a short walk to campus. As an Urbanest resident, you will also have access to study rooms, fully equipped gym, TV and game rooms as well as monthly social events. Find out more at www.urbanest.com.au

Working in Australia

During the semester, international students are permitted to work a maximum of 20 hours per week. There is no limit on the number of hours you can work when the university is not in session, provided it does not interfere with your studies. You should be aware that work may not be readily available and should not depend on this form of income for support. If you intend to work, you must apply for a work rights visa after you begin your semester at Deakin.

As visa regulations are subject to change, we recommend you refer to the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship website for full and up-to-date information.
**Health Insurance**

The Australian Government requires all international students to have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC). The health coverage provides medical and hospital care within Australia from the date of your arrival until the end of your studies in Australia. It is your responsibility to ensure your OSHC is valid and kept up-to-date while you hold a student visa. Your Letter of Offer will detail the OSHC fees you are required to pay.

**Student Visa**

International students studying in Australia are required to have a student visa. Applications are made online once a formal “offer letter” is sent from the host university.

**Program Costs**

Students are billed their regular CALS tuition, with no added administrative fees. Students purchase plane tickets and pay remaining costs such as housing, meals, student visa application fees, local travel, and personal expenses. Some partner institutions charge student activity fees and/or health insurance plans which students are also responsible for.

Financial aid travels with students going abroad. Students must complete with grades equivalent to a Cornell “C” or better. Financial aid for study abroad is need-based, consistent with university and government policies and covers all costs relevant to study abroad, including tuition, all mandatory program fees, housing, meals, books, personal expenses, and round-trip airfare. If you are currently receiving financial aid, your aid package will be adjusted based on your determined level of need and the projected costs for your study abroad program. University grant aid and loan awards may be either increased or decreased to meet study abroad need. The normal work-study component of aid packages will be converted to student loans.

**How to Apply**

You will apply to the exchange after meeting with the CALS study abroad and exchange advisor in 140 Roberts Hall. All application materials will be returned to CALS-not the university directly.