James Cook University
2018 Information sheet for exchange partners

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Location and number of students
JCU’s main campuses are located in the cities of Townsville and Cairns, in tropical northern Queensland. Approximately 16,000 students study at JCU on-campus; with 12% being international students.

Semester One (Teaching Period 1) 2018 dates
Compulsory welcome session: 9 February
Orientation Week: 12 – 16 February
Study Period 1: 19 February – 25 May
Examination dates: 4 – 15 June
Results publication date: 3 July

Semester Two (Teaching Period 2) 2018 dates
Compulsory welcome session 16 July
Orientation Week: 16 - 20 July
Study Period 2: 23 July – 26 October
Examination dates: 5 - 16 November
Results publication date: 4 December

Link to Academic Calendar 2018 Academic Calendar & Important Dates

Full time credit load per semester: 12 credit points
Typical credit load value per subject: 3 credit points

Estimated living costs
- Accommodation (on campus): AUD$218-$435 per week
- Accommodation (off campus): AUD$100-$150/week (based on students sharing)
- Food (on campus): Minimal if living on campus
- Food (off campus): Approx. $75/week
- Transport/travel (off campus): Approx. $30-$40/week
- Books and supplies: Approx. $350-$450 per semester
- Miscellaneous (photocopying, printing, entertainment, laundry): Approx. $70/week
- Field trips: Varies by subject (see Prospectus)

Fees* applicable to exchange students
- Student Services and Amenities (SSA) fee: currently at $44.10 per 3 credit points, to a maximum of $294 for the 2017 calendar year.
- Overseas Student Health Cover (see Medical Insurance page 4).

*Fees are correct at time of update and are subject to change in 2018.

EXCHANGE RELATED INFORMATION

Application deadlines
- Semester One (Teaching Period One): 1 February
- Semester Two (Teaching Period Two): 1 July

Who can go on exchange?
Refer to Academic and English entry requirements for Undergraduate and Postgraduate students

How to apply?
Online application portal

Supporting documents that must accompany an application
- Letter of Nomination (to be provided by your home uni)
- Certified academic transcripts and certificates (with English translations if applicable)
- Grading Scale used where the studies were undertaken
- English language scores, if required
- Copy of passport if possible at the time of application

Language requirements for students applying from non-English speaking countries
- IELTS: overall score of 6.0 with no component less than 6.0.
- TOEFL (paper based): overall score of 550 with a Test of Written English (TWE) of at least 4.5;
- TOEFL (internet based): overall score of 79, with a minimum writing score of 19.
- Pearson (PTE Academic): overall score of 57.
Refer details of other accepted tests of English language

Areas of study open to exchange
- Accounting
- Hospitality Management
### Programs that are not open to exchange students

Exchange students are restricted from enrolment into some subjects. In particular Medicine, Dentistry, Physiotherapy, some subjects within Biomedical & Veterinary Sciences, and some subjects within the School of Education.

Students cannot apply for MD, DS, ML, PC, PS, RH, TV subjects.

Exchange students cannot take Honours subjects, some External or Limited mode subjects are restricted (US Financial Aid students should check that subject choices will not affect your funding options) and Block subjects with inappropriate dates. If unsure, you may select the subject and we will check if you are able to take it.

### Are subjects available online?

Use the online [Study Finder](#) to search for subjects.

### Are exchange students guaranteed for approval in their chosen subjects?

No, exchange students are accepted individually by each Faculty depending on prerequisites and space available.
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<td><strong>Is on-campus housing available?</strong></td>
<td>Yes, there are catered and self-catered accommodation options available. NOTE: on-campus accommodation is limited; students should submit applications as soon as possible after receiving an offer.</td>
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<td><strong>Weblink for accommodation information and on-campus applications</strong></td>
<td><a href="http://www.jcu.edu.au/accommodation">www.jcu.edu.au/accommodation</a></td>
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<td><strong>Is accommodation guaranteed for exchange students?</strong></td>
<td>No, students are advised to submit their accommodation application as soon as possible. JCU can help students find off-campus accommodation if needed. “On-campus accommodation is now available in Cairns.</td>
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<td><strong>Application procedures for accommodation</strong></td>
<td>Students can apply online as soon they have received their offer letters. Students will need to provide their Confirmation of Enrolment certificate (CoE) to accept accommodation offers.</td>
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<td><strong>When should accommodation applications be submitted?</strong></td>
<td>For Semester One (Teaching Period One): from August For Semester Two (Teaching Period Two): from April</td>
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<td><strong>Is there assistance in finding off-campus accommodation?</strong></td>
<td>Yes, JCU’s Accommodation Service maintains a database of off-campus accommodation and provides advice about renting privately</td>
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<td><strong>MEDICAL INSURANCE</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Are exchange students required to purchase a compulsory plan?</strong></td>
<td>It is a condition of the student visa that a student is covered by a recognised private health insurer for the duration of their studies.</td>
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<td>JCU organises Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for students with <a href="http://www.allianz.com">Allianz Global Assistance</a></td>
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<td>Norwegian and Belgium students are not required to take out OSHC.</td>
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<td><strong>How much does OSHC cost?</strong></td>
<td><strong>Approx. AU$330 per semester</strong> and <strong>AU$562 for full year students</strong> (depending on which semester the student starts in).</td>
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<td>Note: Above estimates outlines the current 2017 rate and may slightly vary depending on which semester period students commence their studies. Rates are subject to change. Additional charges apply if student elects to bring a partner or family members for all or part of their exchange experience.</td>
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