

## Partner Information Sheet 2013 / 2014

### Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology



**Established:** 1887

**Location:** Australia, Melbourne

**Number of Campuses:** 1.)City campus 2.)Brunswick campus 3.)Bundoora campus

**Number of Students:** 74,782

RMIT is a global university of technology and design and is Australia's largest provider of degree and technical education. From its beginnings in 1887, the University has forged an international reputation for excellence strengthened by its active engagement with industry and communities around the world.

RMIT provides an urban experience and impact through innovative and industry-focussed education and research.

**University website:** <http://www.rmit.edu.au/>

**Exchange Website:** <http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=n1lyma5d9qe9>

#### Semester Dates

<b>Semester 1</b>	February-June
Orientation	Beginning of February
<b>Semester 2</b>	July - November
Orientation	Beginning of July

## **Class Information**

**Language of instruction:** English

**Credit system:** 36 to 48 credit points (equivalent to three to four courses) is a normal full-time load per semester. Students must undertake a minimum of 36 credit points and are not permitted to exceed 48 credit points (overload). Dropping below 36 credit points is a breach of the student visa conditions. 48 credit points at RMIT usually equate to 30 ECTS or 12 North American Credits.

**Class Levels:** Undergraduate Level

**Intensive Language Classes Available:** No

**Course information:** See course website- <http://rmit.edu.au/programs>

**Time Table:** Log in to student portal, you will need user name and password

<https://ssocas.rmit.edu.au/rmitcas/login?service=https%3A%2F%2Fmy.rmit.edu.au%2Fportal%2F>

## **Student Information**

### **Information about health insurance:**

If you are visiting Australia and hold a temporary visa you should consider taking out Overseas Visitors Health Cover (OVHC). If you need to visit a doctor or stay in hospital while you are here you could find yourself responsible for the full cost of treatment, which can be very expensive.

(<http://www.privatehealth.gov.au/healthinsurance/overseas/>)

### **Can students work while on exchange to RMIT:**

Yes with a Visa. You cannot work until you have commenced your course in Australia. Once your course has commenced you are permitted to work a maximum of 40 hours per fortnight when your course is **in session**, and unlimited hours when your course is **not in session**. (<http://www.immi.gov.au/Pages/Welcome.aspx>)

## **Accommodation Information**

**Where to start your accommodation search:** <http://www.rmit.edu.au/housing>

**Dormitory available?** No, student apartments are available

**What are Student Apartments?** Student apartments are usually fully furnished and have their own bathroom and kitchen with additional facilities and services. Complexes are generally covered under the Residential Tenancies Act and most have a management team, 24 hour onsite security, computer connections and private telephone lines. Students can select different room types, including studio, one bedroom, twin share and two and three bedrooms according to their needs and budget.

For information on Student Apartments:

<http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=b61doi13ri6n>

### **Homestay Accommodations:**

Many students are daunted by their first experience of living away from home and find the transition into a new city or country easier if they don't have to adjust to independent living upon arrival.

Homestay accommodation aims to provide students with a family-like environment with utility costs included and the option of meals at an additional cost.

Places to look for homestay accommodation include:

#### **Australian Homestay Network**

Tel:+61 3 9435 6621

[www.homestaynetwork.org](http://www.homestaynetwork.org)

#### **Familystay Australia**

Tel: +61 3 9574 7473 Mobile: 0408 659 922

[www.familystayaustralia.com](http://www.familystayaustralia.com)

#### **Homestay Direct Services**

Tel: +61 3 9777 0294

[www.homestaydirect.com.au](http://www.homestaydirect.com.au)

For more homestay information: <http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=3zx2j3tkwrrdz>

## **Melbourne Information**

Melbourne is the capital and most populous city in the state of Victoria, and the second most populous city in Australia

**Tourist Information:**

<http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/AboutMelbourne/Pages/Default.aspx>



**Contact Information**

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<b>Address</b>	Surrey Cedar Building 1145 Richmond Room 140
<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:Internationalprograms@kpu.ca">Internationalprograms@kpu.ca</a>
<b>Phone</b>	604.599.2566
<b>Office website</b>	<a href="https://www.kpu.ca/international">https://www.kpu.ca/international</a>