James Cook University

A brighter future

When I invite you to explore what James Cook University (JCU) has to offer, it’s because I know how much living in a tropical environment can open your eyes to a world of beauty, diversity and opportunities.

Our three main campuses are in the tropical cities of Cairns, Singapore and Townsville, and these vibrant locations will allow you to explore your potential. Along with our dedicated staff, JCU offers well-equipped, modern laboratories and unique research stations in the World Heritage listed Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and the Wet Tropics rainforests.

I want your journey at JCU to be as rewarding as possible, so you can use your experience with us to make a difference, wherever your future may take you.

Professor Sandra Harding
Vice-Chancellor and President

Getting to JCU

Routes are based on available flight paths and may represent the most direct route of travel. For information visit cairnsairport.com.au or townsvilleairport.com.au
INTERNATIONAL

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Why study abroad at JCU?

JCU’s Townsville campus is home to a wonderfully diverse range of Australian fauna and flora.

JCU is Australia’s leading university for the Tropics. Each semester, we welcome students from all over the world to our Study Abroad program. The program gives you the opportunity to study at undergraduate or postgraduate level in tropical north Queensland for one or two semesters, while receiving credit for your studies back home.

Our strengths lie in teaching experiences and practical learning for the workforce. Our small class sizes ensure you receive one-on-one attention from your lecturers and tutors.

“I would encourage other international students to come to JCU as there is never a better time in your life to have such an incredible and eye-opening experience. Australia is a beautiful country and JCU is so friendly and welcoming.”

Ally Kristan
The University of North Carolina at Wilmington, USA
JCU’s Cairns campus is located at the foothills of tropical rainforests, and close to tropical beaches and the Great Barrier Reef.

An international institution
You can choose to study at any one of our tropical campuses, in Australia (Cairns or Townsville), or Singapore

Study from A-Z
Choose from over 300 internationally recognised subjects from Accounting to Zoology

A natural choice
Over 22,000 students, including 6,500 international students from over 100 countries

Gain an advantage
Students have access to real-life experiences, and field trips that help develop work-ready skills

Tropical paradise
JCU campuses are located near the Great Barrier Reef and the pristine rainforests of the Wet Tropics, offering you unrivalled access to some of the world’s most beautiful regions through hands-on fieldwork

Supported study
With friendly campuses, smaller class sizes and excellent support services, our students receive the attention they need to achieve their best

Graduate success
JCU received five stars for success in getting a job from the Good Universities Guide 2017

Research intensive
JCU has over 40 research institutes, centres and facilities with plenty of volunteer opportunities
Cairns

Come and enjoy a place where natural beauty is unrivalled, and the lifestyle is casual and relaxed year-round. Make friends and become part of the community of 4,000 JCU students.

“Visiting the Great Barrier Reef has always been a dream of mine, so I chose to study abroad at JCU Cairns. I was in constant contact with JCU’s International Office, who were very responsive and helpful to me. I couldn’t have asked for a better semester abroad”

Alyson Pickard-Tattrie
University of New Brunswick, St John, CANADA

Where is JCU?
Discover our tropical campuses

**Tropical climate:** November - May 24°–32°C/ 75°–90°F
June-October 17°–26°C/ 63°–79°F

**Food:** Easy access to an abundance of fresh local foods. International cuisines from around the world can be found in Cairns.

**Population approx:** 160,000 (city), 5,000 (campus)

**Transport:** Bus to and from campus, car, bicycle (extensive network of bike tracks throughout Cairns), international airport

**Places of worship:** JCU’s Chaplaincy Centre is available as a free facility for you to practise your faith

**Medical:** On-campus dental clinic, as well as a hospital, medical clinics, psychology clinics and more off-campus

**Banks:** Commonwealth Bank ATM facilities on-campus

**Campus:** Near the popular Northern Beaches and approximately 20 minutes’ drive from the city centre. Study facilities can also be accessed at the Cairns City campus.

**On-campus sport:** Gymnasium, basketball courts, sporting fields and a world class mountain bike track (home of the UCI 2016 Mountain Bike World Cup)

**On-campus social events and activities:** A vibrant social program that is designed to help international students meet with international students and local Australian students. Many of these activities are free.
Cairns’ top 10

1. Snorkel or dive the Great Barrier Reef
2. Drive along the coastline from Ellis Beach to Port Douglas, one of Australia’s most scenic drives
3. Walk along Cairns Esplanade and swim and chill out at the Lagoon
4. Hike through the rainforest-covered mountains or go boating to one of the nearby tropical islands
5. Go cruising to spy crocodiles on the Daintree River
6. Get an adrenaline rush by bungee jumping, whitewater rafting, sky diving or jetboating
7. Swim under a waterfall at one of the many waterholes throughout the Atherton Tablelands
8. Beginners and experts can keep fit riding the world-class mountain biking track located in the rainforest at the back of campus
10. Rusty’s Markets – choose from an abundance of fresh local produce.

Cairns campus Clubs and Societies

- JCU Fencing Squad
- JCU Football
- Ultimate Disc Club (Frisbee)
- Bama Nguma-Barra (Indigenous Student Association)
- JCU Quidditch
- JCU Permaculture Society
- JCU Inter Alia Law Society
- RHINO (Rural Health in the Northern Outback)
- JCU Muslim Association
- Sustainability Club
- DHOOM Medical Charity
- Institute of Sport and Exercise Science
- JCU DOGMA (Department of Gaming, Manga and Anime)
- Liberal National Club
- JCU Bicycle Users Group (BUG)
- JCU Student Magazine
- JCU Nursing Students Association
- PNG Students Association
- JCU Dentistry Student Association
- JCU Business Student Club
- My Diving and Snorkelling Club
- The Nicci P Running Club
Townsville is Australia’s largest tropical city, as well as a departure point for the Great Barrier Reef, Magnetic Island and the savannahs and country towns of the outback. It is also home to over 13,000 JCU students, so you’ll never run out of things to do, or people to meet. Photo: Overlooking Townsville city

**Tropical climate:** December-February 24–32°C/ 75°–90°F  
June-August 13–26°C/ 56°–79°F

**Food:** Easy access to an abundance of fresh local foods. International cuisines from around the world can be found in Townsville.

**Population approx:** 170,000 (city), 13,000 (campus)

**Transport:** Bus to and from campus, car, bicycle, international airport (Bali and Port Moresby)

**Places of worship:** JCU’s Multifaith Chaplaincy Centre is available as a free facility to students for practising their faith

**Medical:** On-campus hospital, medical clinic, psychology clinic, physiotherapy clinic, dental chairs, occupational therapy clinic, speech pathology clinic, exercise physiology clinic and veterinary clinic

**Banks:** Westpac, Commonwealth Bank and RediATM facilities on-campus

**Campus:** Australia’s largest university campus, approximately 20 minutes’ drive from the city centre. Study facilities can also be accessed at the Townsville City campus

**On-campus sport:** Gymnasium, basketball courts, tennis courts, squash courts, netball courts, rugby and soccer fields, hockey fields, cricket pitches and a swimming pool

**On-campus social events and activities:** A vibrant social program that is designed to help international students meet with international students and local Australian students. Many of these activities are free

“Townsville has great natural spaces within walking or biking distance of the campus. I really enjoyed the local environment and went swimming in Ross River at every opportunity.”

Dylan Tegtmeier  
University of Nebraska, USA
Townsville’s top 10

1. Walk, eat, shop and meet friends along Townsville’s beachfront, The Strand
2. Catch a regular ferry to Magnetic Island for a day of exploring beaches and cafés
3. Picnic and swim at Crystal Creek Falls, and taste Mango ice-cream along the way
4. Go on a road trip and experience Outback Australia
5. Visit Reef HQ, the largest living coral reef aquarium
6. Explore the natural beauty of the Paluma Range National Park
7. Hike up Castle Hill for a view of Townsville and the islands stretching along the coastline
8. Cheer on the North Queensland Cowboys at a home game (rugby league)
9. Take a SCUBA diving course in Yongala, and explore an array of coral reefs along the coast
10. Become a wildlife warrior or volunteer at the Orpheus Island Research Station

Townsville campus Clubs and Societies

JCU Ice Hockey Association
JCU Rugby Union
JCU Saints Rugby League
University Hawks AFL
JCU Squash Club
JCU Ultimate Disc Association
JCU Water Polo
Saints Cricket Club
Townsville and JCU Rowing Club
Townsville and JCU Climbing Club
Act Now (activist group)
Alpha Phi Omega
Amnesty International JCU
JCU Asian Cultural Society
JCU Business Society
JCU Christian Union
JCU Journalism Society
Engineering Undergraduate Society
Focus JCU (Orthodox Christians)
Insaka (overcoming international health issues by offering sustained support to communities in need)
Total Drama Society
JCU Chicks with Sticks (knitting and crochet club)
JCU Dungeons and Dragons
JCU Jewish Student Union
JCU Humanist Club
JCU Indigenous Student Association
JCU Indonesian Students Association
JCU Law Students Society
JCU Motorsports Club
JCU Pharmacy Students Association
JCU Psychology Club
JCU Muslim Association
North QLD Card Gaming Society
RHINO (Rural Health in the Northern Outback)
SANTE (Supporting All Nations Towards Equality)
JCU Speech Pathology Students
Latin American Student Association
PNG JCU Student Community
South Asia Initiative
Sustainability Advocacy Club
Accommodation

If you’re looking for a place to call home during your time at JCU, look no further than our range of accommodation options. Our dedicated Accommodation team can help you with your search for accommodation that suits you. For more information, visit jcu.edu.au/accommodation.

Townsville accommodation

ON-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION
Townsville campus has on-campus accommodation options for up to 1,500 students. Research has shown that students who live on-campus are more likely to achieve higher grades and complete their courses. This is due to the support from peers and residential staff who all want to see you succeed as well as less outside distractions.

Students living on-campus receive support from a residential assistant (RA) – a senior student who has experienced residential living and undertaken a leadership course to supervise and assist the residents. There is usually one RA assigned to between 12 and 20 students. RAs are supported by senior RAs and Principals of the colleges, all living on-campus to provide 24-hour support, should you need it.

There are opportunities to get involved in good-natured competitions between the colleges by competing for the Fisher Shield sporting trophy or in the inter-college music competition.

All of the on-campus accommodation residences are different and offer a range of living and support options to suit the needs and requirements of our students. It is best to do your research to find the one that ticks most, if not all, of your boxes.

JCU’s on-campus accommodation is very popular so we suggest you apply as early as possible so you don’t miss out.

OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION
In addition to on-campus options, the JCU Accommodation team can also help you find off-campus housing in nearby share houses, private rental properties, homestays and hostels.

Visit jcu.edu.au/accommodation for information on how to apply.

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*Prices subject to change and may not include amenity fees or other annual fees
**Check online for frequency of housekeeping services
A place where you can make great friends, are supported in your academic life and have many options for a great on-campus social experience.

Cairns accommodation

ON-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

JCU is looking forward to welcoming the first students to occupy our brand new on-campus accommodation. The first stage of this purpose-built residence will house 300 students.

Will you be one of the first to reside in the Cairns on-campus student accommodation?

The seven-storey octagonal building offers a variety of apartment style living options including studio apartments, six bedroomed apartments with individual ensuites or six bedroomed apartments with shared bathroom facilities. All apartments are self-catering and equipped with modern cooking facilities. Each individual bedroom is lockable and includes air-conditioning and Wi-Fi.

The facility will be fully managed by residential assistants and an onsite manager to provide security, administrative support and pastoral care to students.

OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

In Cairns, a range of dedicated off-campus student accommodation options are located within walking or riding distance from the campus. These include:

- Cairns Student Lodge
  studentlodge.com.au
- Cairns Lodge
  cairnslodge.net.au
- The Beaches Luxury Apartments
  the-beaches.com.au

Singapore accommodation

Students studying at JCU’s Singapore campus should contact the Accommodation Assistance Service. There is no on-campus accommodation, but you can choose from a wide variety of accommodation types to suit different budgets and needs.

Whether you choose to stay in off-campus hostels, a serviced apartment, private rental or shared accommodation, the Accommodation Assistance Service Team help review your accommodation options to find the most suitable place to live.

You can login to our Pre-Arrival System for an accommodation application, or email us at accommodation-singapore@jcu.edu.au for an initial enquiry. Alternatively, if you are visiting Singapore, you may call us at 6709 3888 to arrange for an accommodation inspection.

Visit jcu.edu.au/accommodation for information on how to apply.
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Cairns Lodge
cairnslodge.net.au
The Beaches Luxury Apartments
the-beaches.com.au

JCU is looking forward to welcoming the first students to new on-campus accommodation in Cairns in February 2018.

The first stage will house 300 students, and there are plans to expand to 1,000 in the longer term.

The seven storey building will offer a mix of accommodation options including studio apartments with en suite bathrooms. The development will also include a ground-floor retail space.

Cairns Student Lodge offers a range of services to meet your needs.

Artist’s impression of the new Cairns on-campus student accommodation.
Student life
Planning your budget

Financial aid and scholarships
Financial aid and scholarships may be available through your home country’s government, or your home university’s study abroad office. JCU can assist you with accessing foreign government financial aid and scholarships, for more details visit jcu.edu.au/international-students/apply/fees-and-costs/scholarships-and-financial-aid

Working while studying
If you have a student visa and will be working while you study, you can work up to 40 hours in a two week period during university teaching periods (semesters) and without restriction in non-teaching periods. Your permission to work while studying in Australia is automatically included when your student visa is granted. Any work you wish to do cannot commence until your study has begun.

You will also need to obtain an Australian Tax File Number (TFN), which is available for application through the Australian Tax Office at ato.gov.au/Forms/TFN---application-for-individuals

JCU Careers and Employment Service can assist you with information on part-time and casual employment. They also manage an online job vacancy listing for students jcu.edu.au/careers

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)
Most international students are required to organise Overseas Student Health Cover from an approved insurance provider for the length of your visa. OSHC can be purchased through JCU and paid together with your other university fees, or you may organise it directly with the OSHC provider.

If you arrive prior to your student visa being granted you will not have access to your OSHC until your student visa is obtained. The cost of OSHC will vary depending on the insurer and insurance duration required, and is subject to change. If you are an eligible citizen from Norway, Sweden, or Belgium you are exempt from purchasing OSHC required, and is subject to change. If you are an eligible citizen from your other university fees, or you may organise it directly with the OSHC provider.

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JCU’s Student Services and Amenities Fee provides students with access to services that enhance their university experience. To see the SSAF in action in student life, student representation, and student advocacy visit jcu.edu.au/students/fees-and-costs/scholarships-and-financial-support/brought-to-you-by-your-ssa-fee

Books and miscellaneous study expenses
Extra course dependent expenses may include specialised equipment, travel to fulfill internship placements, field trips, books and other study materials. With that in mind you will need to incorporate these extra expenses into your budget. You can also use your own laptop or tablet if you wish to, and will need to include its expense in your study abroad budget.

Your rights
Education Services for Overseas Students Act
As a provider of education services to international students in Australia, JCU is required to comply with the Education Services for Overseas Students Act (ESOS Act) and the National Code of Practice for Registration Authorities and Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students (The National Code). The ESOS legislation and National Code specify minimum standards for the delivery of courses to students in Australia studying on a student visa, and regulate what information must be given to existing and prospective international students, what support must be provided to existing students, what records are kept, and what information is to be given to government agencies about international students.

jcu.edu.au/policy/student-services/tuition-fee-policy-for-international-students

JCU’s tuition fee policy
The Policy sets out students’ obligations and rights in relation to tuition fees for overseas students. The Policy also sets out the circumstances in which a student is entitled to a refund as required under the ESOS Act.

JCU’s tuition protection service
The Tuition Protection Service (TPS) is a placement and refund service for international students studying on a student visa which also operates under the ESOS Act. The TPS replaces the Tuition Assurance Scheme and the ESOS Assurance Fund. On the rare occasion that a provider is unable to deliver a course an international student has paid for – and does not meet their legal obligations to make alternative course replacements or provide a refund – the TPS will assist students to find an alternative place or, if this is not possible, provide a refund of any unspent tuition fees.

tps.gov.au

Deferral, temporary suspension or cancellation of enrolment
The ESOS National Code and student visa conditions contain restrictions on when students, or JCU, can defer, suspend or cancel an enrolment. Students may only defer commencement of studies or take a leave of absence once they have commenced, and when there are compassionate or compelling reasons for doing so. A compassionate or compelling reason is something which is beyond an individual’s control and which has, or will have, an impact on their academic progress or wellbeing. The University may suspend a student temporarily, enforcing a break from study, in certain circumstances.

jcu.edu.au/international/policies
Student life

Life at JCU is more than attending lectures – it’s also about meeting new people, having fun, developing new skills and going home with memories to last a lifetime.

JCU are committed to creating a balanced study and social life for our students. There are a range of events held throughout the year that will cater to a variety of interests. Social gatherings, sporting activities, talent competitions and celebrations are organised for students on-campus, and are also hosted by community organisations.

O Week

O Week serves as the official start to your semester or year at JCU. The week is designed to welcome you and help with the start of your studies. Social activities during the week may include movie nights, themed parties, Market Day, and sporting activities. New students are encouraged to make the most of the tours, workshops and presentations held during the week.

On-campus convenience

Cairns and Townsville campuses both offer a range of food outlets for your coffee, snacking and lunch needs. Townsville campus also has a post office, supermarket and hairdresser on-campus.

JCU Student Association

The JCU Student Association are a membership-based organisation who offer a variety of food, sporting, and social activity discounts, events and amenities to students. For more information, visit jcusa.edu.au

There are lots of places around campus to connect.
Student life

For help with assignments, finding a place to call home, or someone to talk to, our students have access to dedicated support services on campus.

Volunteering opportunities

For those wanting to become involved in the local community, volunteering is a great option that can also help build up your resume. For example, you can volunteer at the University’s Orpheus Island Research Station near Townsville, or at the Fitzroy Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre near Cairns. For more information, jcu.edu.au/engage/volunteer.

Clubs and societies

Clubs and societies play an active role in the University community by providing students with the opportunity to meet new people with common cultural, political, religious, sporting, recreation and academic interests. See pages 5 and 7 or visit jcusa.edu.au.

Our team

JCU’s International Student Support team provide a full range of services to ensure our students make the most of their time at university. Some of the services and information the team can provide include:

- Pre-departure information
- Free arrival reception
- Orientation program
- Assistance with accommodation
- Assistance in emergencies
- Social events throughout the semester
- Personal wellbeing and welfare support
- After-hours student assistance telephone line
- Overseas Student Health Cover information
- Advice on a range of matters
- Returning home program

jcu.edu.au/international

Other support services

JCU also offer a variety of services to all students to ensure you can stay ahead of your studies and career, all while having fun on-campus in the process. Some of these services include:

- Student Centre
- Learning Advisors to help build academic skills jcu.edu.au/learningskills
- Free, confidential counselling jcu.edu.au/student/counselling
- JCU Student Association jcusa.edu.au
- Careers and employment service jcu.edu.au/careers
- AccessAbility services for students with disabilities jcu.edu.au/disability
- JCU professional college jcu.edu.au/procollege

For more information visit jcu.edu.au/international-students/student-services

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“The best part of my time at JCU has been O Week. We had ‘Welcome Sessions’ and the mentors were great. They showed us around the campus, and it was easy to get close to the other new international students. I like that Townsville is a big city but not huge. You can go everywhere easily – I like to go to the Strand on weekends. I also like that the campus is close to everything. It’s a great city to be educated in.”

Katarina Edlund
Jonkoping University, SWEDEN

jcu.edu.au/international-students/student-services
Academic study areas
A world of choice

Students travel from around the world for the opportunity to study at JCU
You can choose subjects from almost any academic study area at JCU. Search for your preferred area of study at jcu.edu.au/app/studyfinder

Accounting
Anthropology
Aquaculture
Archaeology
Arts
Biochemistry
Biology
Biomedical Sciences
Biotechnology
Business
Chemistry
Climate Change
Communications
Creative Arts
Creative Writing
Criminology
Cultural Studies
Digital Media
Earth Science
Ecology and Conservation
Economics
Education
Engineering
English Literature
Environmental Science
Geography
Geology
Governance and Politics
Graphic Design
Health Management
History
Human Resource Management
Indigenous Australian Studies
Information Technology
International Relations
Law
Management
Marine Biology
Marketing
Mathematics
Media
Molecular Biology
Music and Sound
Nursing
Nutrition
Occupational Therapy
Pharmacy
Photography
Physics
Physiotherapy
Psychology
Public Health
Public Relations
Social Work
Sociology
Speech Pathology
Sport and Exercise Science
Sports and Events Management
Sustainability
Tourism Management
Tropical Biology
Visual Arts
Zoology

Selecting your subjects/courses
Check:
✓ you meet any prerequisites
✓ subjects are offered in the semester you plan to attend JCU
✓ whether your subjects are offered at the right campus for you (Cairns or Townsville)
✓ your application includes 6 to 8 subjects (one semester), or 12 subjects (two semesters).

jcu.edu.au/app/studyfinder

Understanding JCU subject codes and credit points
BZ2450:03 Biodiversity of Tropical Australia
BZ  Discipline area (Tropical Biology)
2  Year level (second year subject)
450  Together with year level, subject code
.03  The number of credit points the subject is worth.

At JCU most subjects have a value of 3 credit points.
A normal, full-time study load for a Teaching Period (semester) is four subjects (or 12 credit points).
To gain credit at your home university for JCU subjects liaise with your academic advisor.

The JCU Aquarium facilities offer students the chance to get hands-on experience without leaving the campus.

Expand your skills in one of JCU’s many laboratories.
A sample of subjects

Here are some subjects you may find interesting. Check out jcu.edu.au/app/studyfinder for the full range of JCU subjects.

**Anthropology**
- AN2108 Art, Images and Design: Visual, Digital and Material Culture
- AN2013 Culture, Knowledge and Environment
- AN3006 Anthropology and Development: Critical Perspectives on Globalisation and Inequality

**Archaeology**
- AR2011 Australia through Time and Place
- AR3008 Boats and Beaches: The Archaeology of Coasts and Islands
- AR3501 Ancestors and Emperors: Rise and Fall of Ancient Societies

**Business**
- BX2094 Conference and Event Management
- BX2093 Sports Management
- BX3194 Destination Management and Planning

**Creative Arts & Media**
- NM1810 Intro to Creativity and Innovation
- NM1010 Digital Toolbox for Creative Practitioners
- NM1200 Digital Photography
- NM1400 Intro to Design
- NM1500 Intro to Media Arts
- NM1600 Intro to Music, Sound & Moving Image

**Criminology**
- CY1001 Deviance, Crime and Society (Townsville campus only)
- CY3456 Crime Prevention and Community Safety (Townsville campus only)

**Environmental Science**
- EV3020 Human Dimensions of Nature, Environment, and Conservation
- EV3110 Environmental and Social Impact Assessment
- EV2301 Urban Geography and Design
- EV3606 Disasters, Communities, and Planning
- EV3252 Indigenous Environmental Management

**Environmental Science**
- EV3606 Disasters, Communities, and Planning

**Marine Biology**
- MB2050 Functional Biology of Marine Organisms
- MB2070 Evolution and Biogeography of Marine Organisms
- MB2080 Invertebrate Biology
- MB3190 Coral Reef Ecology
- MB3200 Marine Conservation Biology

**Politics and International Relations**
- PL2006 Political communication in the global environment
- PL2110 Government and Politics in Developing Areas
- PL2153 International Relations and Foreign Policy
- PL3250 Australia and World Politics

**Sociology**
- SS1010 Australian People: Introduction to the Social Sciences
- SY3018 Power & Protest in a Globalising World
- SY1001 Australian Society: An Introduction to Sociology
- SY2101 Sociology of Digital Life
- SY3018 Social Analysis of Contemporary Australian Issues

**Social Work**
- WS2121 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Skills and Frameworks for Practice
- WS2001 Australian Women’s Studies
- WS3214 Developmental Approaches to Eco-Social Justice
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### Field trip examples

**Linking Indigenousness:** Interactive, cross-cultural experience led by Indigenous Australians.

**Environmental Physics:** A one-day field trip on the research vessel R/V James Kirby.

**Australian Vertebrate Fauna:** A weekend, outback field trip to Wambiana Station.

**Plant Survival in a Land of Fire, Flood and Drought:** A six-day trip to Boulia, in Central West Queensland.

**Wildlife Ecology and Management:** Three-and-a-half days at Wambiana Station in Western Queensland.

**Ecology and Conservation**

- A two-day field trip to Magnetic Island.

**Biodiversity of Tropical Australia:**

- Cairns:
  - Flecker Botanic Gardens and Centenary Lakes Boardwalk
  - Atherton Tablelands and Undara Caves
- Bushfoods tutorial at Red Ochre Grill Restaurant

**Townsville**

- Day trips to rainforests, tropical shores, and wetlands.

**Rainforest Ecosystems:** A two-day field trip to Paluma National Park.

**Population and Community Ecology:** A four-day field trip to Woorooonoooran National Park at South Johnstone.
While you are at JCU, try something you have never done before.

"The quality of the education I received was as I expected it to be from a top university like JCU. I chose JCU as I was very intrigued by the tropical location, and the subjects sounded really interesting. Having studied abroad at JCU will help me in my future career."

Asbjorn Harder
University of Southern Denmark
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**Field trip examples**

- **Functional Biology of Marine Organisms:**
  - Field work in Three-mile Creek, Townsville, and at Picnic Bay on Magnetic Island

- **Evolution and Ecology of Reef Fishes:**
  - Trip 1: A day trip to Reef HQ Aquarium
  - Trip 2: A three-day field trip to JCU’s Orpheus Island Research Station

- **Life History and Evolution of Coral Reefs:**
  - A three-day field trip to JCU’s Orpheus Island Research Station

- **Marine Ecology and Environmental Assessment:**
  - Field trip to Rowes bay, Townsville

- **Coral Reef Ecology:**
  - A three-day field trip to JCU’s Orpheus Island Research Station

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Get up close with Australia’s unique environment - either on one of our many JCU academic field trips, or just walking around campus.
Experience the Daintree Rainforest from our very own canopy crane.

Subject Title | Subject Code | Prerequisites | Campus | Teaching Period/semester
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**SUSTAINABILITY / ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**
Environmental Processes and Global Change | EV1005:03 | No | T, C | 1
Environmental Management Systems in Practice | EV2008:03 | | T, C | 1
Australian Landscape Processes and Evolution | EV2401:03 | Yes | T, C | 1
Conserving Marine Wildlife: Sea Mammals, Birds, Reptiles | EV3203:03 | Yes | T | 1
Field Studies in Tropical Geography | EV3404:03 | Yes | T, C | 3
Coral Reef Geomorphology | EV3406:03 | Yes | T | 1
Environmental Chemistry | CH3041:03 | Yes | T, C | 1
The Case for Sustainability | EV2011:03 | Yes | T, C | 2
Terrestrial Resource Management | EV3200:03 | Yes | T | 2
Managing Coastal and Marine Environments | EV3201:03 | Yes | T | 2
Coastal and Catchment Geomorphology | EV3401:03 | Yes | T, C | 2
Natural Hazards | EV3454:03 | Yes | T, C | 2
Environmental and Regional Planning | EV3001:03 | Yes | C | 1
Planning for Sustainable Communities in a Changing Environment | EV3010:03 | Yes | C | 7
**SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE**
Science and Practice of Physical Activity | SP1001:03 | No | T, C | 1

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Field trip examples

**Functional Biology of Marine Organisms:** Field work in Three-mile Creek, Townsville, and at Picnic Bay on Magnetic Island

**Australian Landscape Processes and Evolution:** Field work on campus, and two-and-a-half days in diverse landscapes west of Cairns or Townsville

**Coral Reef Geomorphology:** A four-day field trip to JCU’s Orpheus Island Research Station

**Managing Coastal and Marine Environments:** Examination of the impacts of human activities on coastal and marine environments
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Entry requirements

Academic entry requirements

**Undergraduate academic entry requirements**
Successful completion of one semester (six months) of full-time study at a recognised higher education institution with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 out of 4.0, or minimum average results of approximately 65-70%. Academic entry requirements vary by country. Students applying directly after high school may be eligible, and are required to provide their High School Certificate (or equivalent).

**Postgraduate academic entry requirements**
Bachelor degree or equivalent. Postgraduate students applying for the Study Abroad Program can study a maximum of one teaching period.

Find detailed academic entry requirements for specific countries at jcu.edu.au/international/studyabroad

English language requirements

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Students whose native language is not English must generally demonstrate their proficiency by achieving a score in a test such as Academic IELTS, TOEFL or Pearson (PTE Academic). Other English language tests may also be accepted as proof of English language proficiency. The table demonstrates the minimum English language proficiency requirement for the Study Abroad Program.

For more information email internationaladmissions@jcu.edu.au

“My teachers and classmates come from all over Australia, and hearing their stories is pretty inspiring. It’s awesome that we get all different lecturers with different expertise and backgrounds. They’re skilled in their research and careers, so they’re on the front line of doing the things they teach.”

Courtney Heath
Northern Illinois University, USA
How to apply

Step 1  Choose your subjects (courses)

Choose your subjects at jcu.edu.au/app/studyfinder

Check:
• you meet any prerequisites
• subjects are offered in the semester you plan to attend JCU
• whether your subjects are offered at the right campus for you (Cairns or Townsville)
• your application includes 6 to 8 subjects (one semester), or 12 subjects (two semesters).

Step 2  Submit your application

Online

Complete your application online at jcu.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad/how-to-apply

Include all certified academic transcripts and degree certificates (with official translations if in a language other than English), and your English language test results (if applicable).

OR

Via a JCU authorised overseas representative/agent

jcu.edu.au/international/apply/jcurepresentatives

Application Deadlines
30 January for Teaching Period 1 (Semester 1)
30 June for Teaching Period 2 (Semester 2)

Note: The academic year is divided into two teaching periods (semesters), Teaching Period 1 (January-June) and Teaching Period 2 (July-December). Study periods fall within one of the above teaching periods. Study Period 1 and Study Period 2 are the most common, and have a study duration of 13 weeks each. Other study periods are block/intensive, and will be shorter in duration.

jcu.edu.au/student/calendar

Step 3  Assessment

Your application will be assessed based on academic and English entry requirements.

Step 4  Receive your Offer Letter

If your application is successful you will receive your Offer Letter by email.

The Offer Letter includes:
• the subjects you have been accepted into (you will be enrolled into your top four approved subjects prior to your arrival at JCU).  
• tuition fees
• health cover
• and any additional expenses.

Step 5  Accept your offer

Once you have received your Offer, please sign each page, complete the Acceptance and Payment form and meet any conditions outlined in your Offer Schedule. Return it to Admissions or your JCU representative/agent, along with any payment as set out in your Offer Letter.

Step 6  Apply for your student visa

It is essential that you apply for an Australian student visa before arriving in Australia. To apply you need to contact your nearest Australian Embassy, Consulate, or High Commission. Their locations are listed at dfat.gov.au/missions

You can also contact the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP). The DIBP website contains comprehensive information about applying for visas, student work rights and restrictions, health requirements, and FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) about student visas. border.gov.au

Global Mobility

JCU has partner universities all around the world for students interested in exchange. Contact the Student Mobility Office at your home institution or have a look at the list of JCU partners at jcu.edu.au/globalmobility

For more information email globalmobility@jcu.edu.au

“The reason I chose to study at JCU is because I could get a multi-cultural experience by meeting new people from different cultural backgrounds. It’s also a good experience to be around other students who are enthusiastic to learn. JCU has helped me a lot by offering many kinds of workshops. The international student support team has also been really supportive by talking to me about my future and what I can do with my experience I have gained here.”

Shiori Kanayama
Aoyama Gakuin University, JAPAN
Application for admission to the JCU Study Abroad Program
For Study Abroad and Exchange students – undergraduate or postgraduate level

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<th><strong>Will you be bringing family members on a dependant student visa?</strong></th>
<th><strong>Yes</strong></th>
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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

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<th><strong>English is the main language spoken in my home</strong></th>
<th><strong>Yes</strong></th>
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<th><strong>I will have / or have taken an IELTS test</strong></th>
<th><strong>TOEFL test</strong></th>
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<th><strong>within the past two years (please tick appropriate box)</strong></th>
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<th><strong>I have undertaken studies (secondary/high school/university)</strong></th>
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**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM**

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<th><strong>I wish to study at</strong></th>
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<th><strong>I would like to start my studies in Teaching Period</strong></th>
<th><strong>One (February)</strong></th>
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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

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<th>NAME OF SCHOOL OR INSTITUTION</th>
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Please attach certified copies of transcripts of all academic records. (A certified copy means a stamped photocopy signed by a public notary or institution representative or authorised JCU agent as being a true and accurate record of the original document). All documents must be translated into English by the issuing institution or by an official translating service.

SUBJECT APPROVALS

Please list a maximum of 6 subjects (one Teaching Period/Semester) or 12 subjects (two Teaching Periods/Semesters) and the corresponding subject code that you would like to enrol in at JCU, in order of preference. For JCU subjects within a specific study area please view the ‘Subject Search’ at www.jcu.edu.au/courses.

Note: Entry to subject codes 2000-5000 may be restricted to students who have previously completed studies in the same academic area.

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<td>Example: Rainforest and Ecosystems</td>
<td>8Z3210.03</td>
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I declare that the information I have supplied on this form is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and correct. I acknowledge that my application is subject to acceptance by James Cook University and that any offer for a place may be subject to additional conditions which will need to be met to be eligible for admission.

STUDENT VISA DECLARATION

I make this declaration in relation to my application for my preferred course/s at James Cook University (JCU). I understand that the University will rely on this declaration in relation to any offer of enrolment in the Course which is made to me. I declare that:

- I am a Genuine Temporary Entrant;
- studying the Course is my primary purpose for coming to Australia;
- I understand that if I am granted an Australian student visa, I will have to comply with the conditions on that visa;
- I believe that I am academically qualified for the Course I have applied for and have, or will have, the English proficiency level required to commence the Course;
- I have calculated the cost of my course, am aware of the current exchange rate between the currency of my home country and the Australian dollar and understand that the exchange rate will vary from time to time;
- I have genuine access to the total funds required, while in Australia, to cover all tuition fees, travel (including return airfare), living costs and overseas health cover for myself and my dependents (if any) for the duration of the Course; and
- if I have ever been refused a visa for entry into Australia or any other country, I have advised JCU and provided a copy of the visa refusal notification from DIBP (or equivalent) and any other relevant documentation.

* For the definition of Genuine Temporary Entrant under the SSVF visit DIBP Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) requirements: border.gov.au/Trav/More/Genuine-Temporary-Entrant

** For financial requirements for obtaining a student visa under the SSVF visit DIBP Student visa financial capacity requirements: border.gov.au/Trav/More/Student-Visa-Living-Costs-and-Evidence-of-Funds

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Signature

Date

Please email or post all completed forms to JCU Admissions, or to one of JCU’s approved agents, listed online at www.jcu.edu.au/international/apply/jcurepresentatives

Townsville and Cairns campuses

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