

THE PASSPORT TO YOUR FUTURE

A guide for study abroad and
exchange students



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www.rmit.edu.au.

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Global Passport
RMIT University

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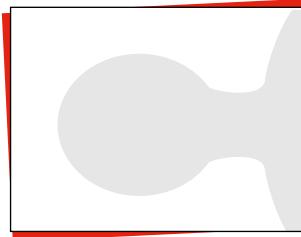
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- Hanoi
- Saigon South



Welcome to RMIT



“ RMIT is enriched by the diversity of our staff and students who come from all walks of life and connect us to countries and cultures all over the world.

Whether you choose to study in Melbourne, Vietnam or Singapore, our commitment to the transformative and life-changing power of learning is at the heart of this amazing institution. ”

Martin Bean CBE
Vice-Chancellor and President
RMIT University

Connect with RMIT



A Global University of Technology, Design and Enterprise

Join RMIT University for one or two semesters and start your global future.

Number of students
81,000+

One of the largest universities
in Australia, enough to fill
almost two Yankee stadiums!



International study abroad
and exchange students
hosted per year by RMIT

1000

388,000
alumni living in
131 countries

RMIT
Melbourne
campuses

420,080
square
metres

Slightly smaller than the Vatican City



Swanston Academic Building
5 green star rating
World Building of the Year Award
(2013) - Shortlist

112

University
buildings



400+ programs

150+
exchange
partnerships
across
41 countries



Students
from over
100
countries



10,000+

Total number of
faculty and staff

“ During the semester break I travelled to beautiful places in different regions across Vietnam with the best local guides – my friends from class! ”

Eun Gyeoung Kim
South Korea



Our Rankings and Achievements

Why RMIT stands out from the crowd.

World ranking in 17 disciplines*

Top **100**
in 5 disciplines*

- Civil and Structural Engineering
- Computer Science and
- Information Systems
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Mechanical, Aeronautical and
- Manufacturing Engineering
- Business and Management

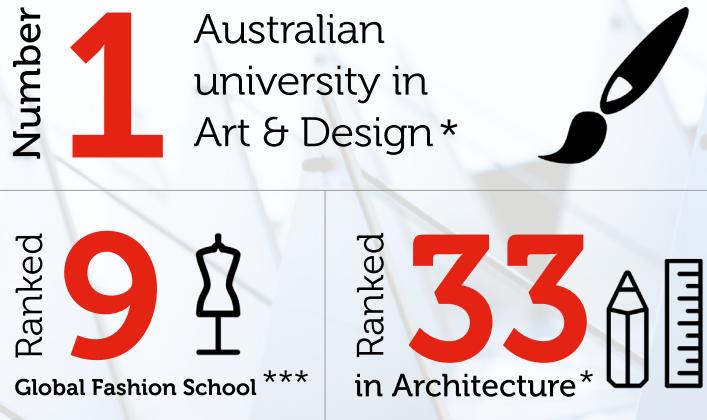


Top **200**
in 2 disciplines*

- Education
- Statistics and Operational Research



Top **150**
in 4 disciplines*



Leader in international education*



* QS World University Rankings 2015

** Times Higher Education 100 Under 50 Rankings 2015

*** Global Fashion School Rankings 2015

Expand Your Academic Horizons

RMIT study abroad and exchange students can design their own study plan by selecting courses from 400+ programs.

Study areas

Art, Design and Architecture

Building, Construction and Planning

Business

Communication and Digital Media

Computing, Games and Information Technology

Education and Teaching

Engineering

Environment and Sustainability

Health and Medical Sciences

International and Community Services

Justice and Legal

Science

To search for courses at RMIT Australia visit <http://bit.ly/aus-coursesearch>

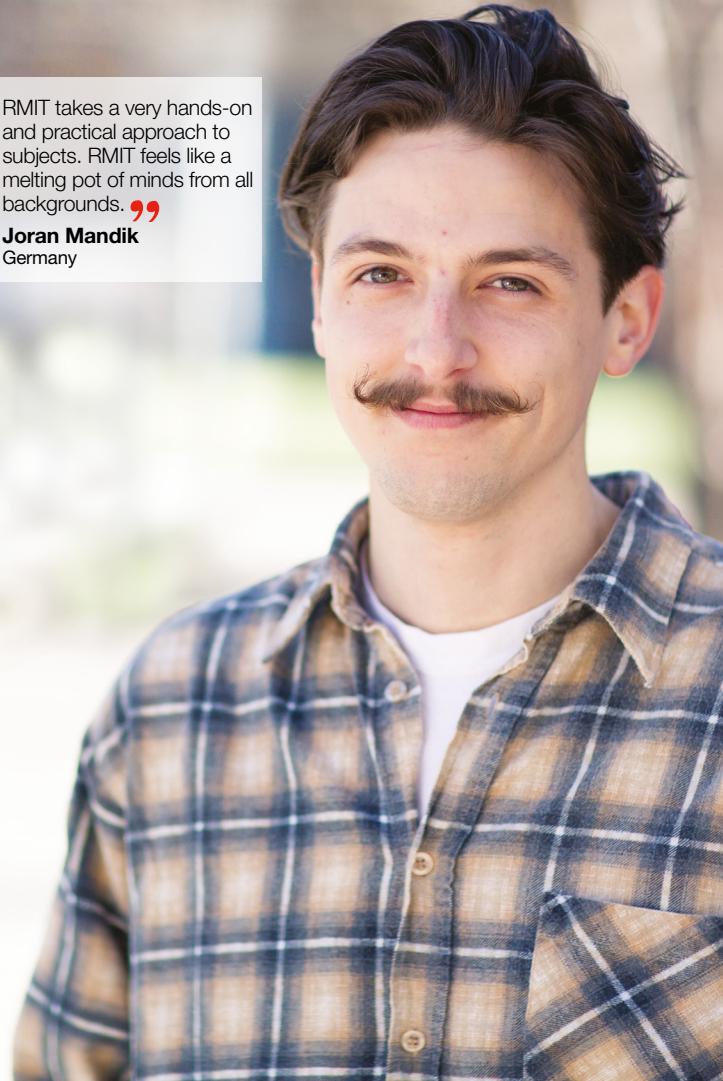
To search for courses at RMIT Vietnam visit <http://bit.ly/vtn-coursesearch>

Australian themed courses

- Indigenous Policy
- Indigenous Studies
- Introduction to Australian Society
- Australian Society in a Global Context

“ RMIT takes a very hands-on and practical approach to subjects. RMIT feels like a melting pot of minds from all backgrounds. ”

Joran Mandik
Germany



Mobility Plus Program

There is a world of opportunity available for you at RMIT.

You can design your own mobility experience.

Mix and match any of our offerings:

- Study abroad/exchange for a semester or year in Melbourne.
- Study abroad/exchange for a semester or year in Vietnam.
- Spend the summer in Melbourne with our International Summer School.

RMIT Summer School

Come to Melbourne during the summer and immerse yourself in one or two courses.

Melbourne is alive with activity in January and February. You can enjoy warm weather, calm Melbourne beaches, the Australian Open and a range of summer of festivals.

After summer school, you can extend your study in Melbourne for up to a year or continue your RMIT adventure in Vietnam.

www.rmit.edu.au/study-abroad-and-exchange



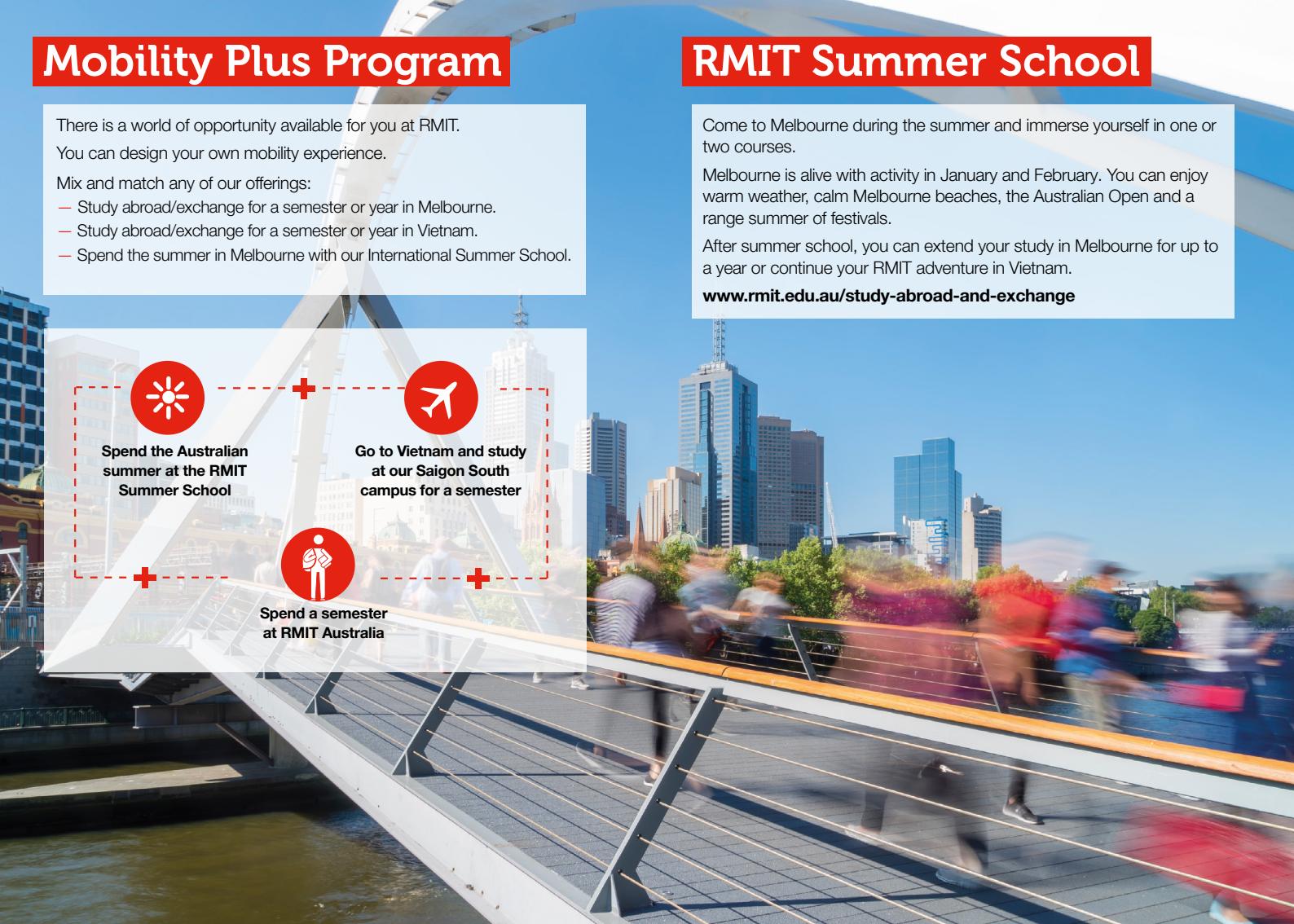
Spend the Australian summer at the RMIT Summer School



Go to Vietnam and study at our Saigon South campus for a semester



Spend a semester at RMIT Australia



#exploRMIT

RMIT Global Mobility Ambassadors

Each semester 10 students from around the world are selected to be Global Mobility Ambassadors. If selected, you will receive a \$1000 scholarship to capture your Melbourne experience using the hashtag #exploRMIT.

Applications open during orientation week. To enter, you need to submit a video that shows your experience in Melbourne.

Follow the #exploRMIT ambassadors: <http://bit.ly/exploRMIT>.



Great Ocean Road



Explore Victoria



Phillip Island



Ask me!
Have questions about
studying at RMIT?
Tweet your questions to
[@exploRMIT](#)

“ It meant a lot to me when I became a social media representative and ambassador for RMIT. I was really excited when I found out I'd won the scholarship. This helped me do more things, explore Australia and show other students the best things in Melbourne. ”

Joao Schiavinato

United Kingdom

#exploRMIT Ambassador

(Semester 2, 2014)

Lead #exploRMIT ambassador

(Semester 1, 2015)



Choose from five campuses in two countries

Vietnam



Hanoi campus



Saigon South campus

Australia



City campus



Brunswick campus



Bundoora campus

Life in Melbourne

In 2015, the Economist Intelligence Unit annual livability survey voted Melbourne as the world's most liveable city for the fifth consecutive year. Melbourne has consistently remained one of the most popular cities for students to study and live in. Our quality of living is high, our public transport is convenient and multiculturalism fuels the city with energy.

Top Five Things to Do in Melbourne

- Wander the laneways of the world's most liveable city.
- Head to the Melbourne Cricket Ground to watch a game of cricket or Aussie Rules football.
- Watch a movie in the Royal Botanic Gardens with Moonlight Cinema.
- Explore the CBD on iconic Melbourne trams.
- Shop at the ever-bustling Queen Victoria Market.



Life in Vietnam

Your education is not confined to the classroom as outside our campuses the energy of Vietnam awaits. RMIT Vietnam offers a diverse learning experience in a vibrant and culturally rich country.



City nightscape



Traditional Vietnamese souvenirs



Beautiful scenery



Amazing food

Top Five Things to Do in Vietnam

- Explore Ho Chi Minh City's lively Ben Thanh Market.
- Take a tour of the beautiful lush Mekong Delta.
- Visit the UNESCO world heritage site Ha Long Bay.
- Satisfy all your senses with Vietnam's unique cuisine.
- Wander through Hanoi's famous Old Quarter.

Accommodation and living costs

Melbourne

Your accommodation options

Adjusting to life in a new city can be challenging. To help make your transition to RMIT life as seamless as possible, we have housing and wellbeing advisors on campus to support you with any questions you may have. We also have an accommodation database where you can search for housing near your campus: www.rmit.edu.au/housing.

RMIT Village + UniLodge

We have a partnership with RMIT Village, a specialised student accommodation conveniently located close to the City campus.

UniLodge campus accommodation is available in Bundoora. For information about accommodation and fees visit:

www.rmitvillage.com.au and

www1.rmit.edu.au/accommodation/oncampus

Cost of living

To help you understand the costs of relocating to Melbourne, we have developed a helpful student budget guideline for you.

The following estimates are based on a single student living in shared accommodation.

Weekly expenses

| Item | Cost per week |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Rent (shared) | AU\$120-\$300 |
| Food | AU\$80-\$150 |
| Phone and internet | AU\$20-\$50 |
| Public transport | Up to \$50 |
| Entertainment | AU\$30-\$100 |

Vietnam

Your accommodation options

Study abroad and exchange students coming to RMIT Vietnam have a range of exciting accommodation options.

www.rmit.edu.vn/overview-accommodation-rmit.

On campus

Living on campus is a great way to make friends and enjoy a safe and relaxing living environment. You can live in a single studio with an ensuite bathroom, or share with others in either a three or five bedroom apartment. www.rmit.edu.vn/residential-centre.

Off campus

Students who want to live off campus will need to arrange their own accommodation, but the RMIT International Unit is more than happy to give you advice and assistance so you can find the right housing to suit you.

Cost of living

Vietnam is an affordable place to live and the cost of rent, food, transport and utilities is a fraction of what you'd pay in most countries.

The following estimates are based on a single student living in shared accommodation.

Weekly expenses

| Item | Cost per week |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Rent (shared) | AU\$50-\$90 |
| Food | AU\$25-\$50 |
| Phone and internet | AU\$7-\$9 |
| Public transport | Up to \$0.50 per km |
| Entertainment | AU\$10-\$30 |

Orientation and support

Day 1: Explore RMIT

Get ready for an action-packed three-day orientation program full of events and activities that will introduce you to the academic and social side of campus life. You'll meet loads of new friends, get a taste of Australian culture and most importantly, have a lot of fun!

Day 2: Explore Melbourne

Learn everything you need to know about living in Melbourne, including health and safety, travelling around Australia, Aussie sporting culture and more.

Day 3: Explore Victoria (optional)

After two days of orientation, students have the opportunity to participate in a day trip to one of Victoria's most iconic sights, such as the spectacular Great Ocean Road or Phillip Island, while getting to know your peers.

“The amazing race was a fun way to explore the campus and meet new friends.”

Settle into your new life in Vietnam

To make you feel right at home in Vietnam, we'll arrange free airport pickup, a city tour and a welcome dinner. You'll meet fellow international students along with RMIT Vietnam staff who can assist you with visa issues, support services, enrolment and timetabling.

Vietnamese classes are offered to provide you with language skills and survival tips to make the most of your time here. Our Buddies program pairs you with a peer-mentor who can show you the ropes both on and off campus. Your buddy will be there to support you for the duration of your stay in Vietnam and to help you have the time of your life!



Be Part of Our Dynamic Campus Life

There is always something happening at RMIT. Join our collaborative student community and balance your studies with social, cultural, sporting and recreational activities.



Vietnam Student Clubs



Melbourne Orientation Week



Melbourne Orientation Week



Vietnam Student Clubs

“ Hanoi is incredibly fascinating. There is no better feeling than exploring the colourful narrow streets, taking in all the scents of the Old Quarter or just simply grabbing a drink with friends by the lake near the RMIT campus.”

Giordano Dalla Vecchia

Italy



Key Dates

Academic calendar

| Australia | Vietnam |
|--|---|
| Semester 1: February – June Orientation: Mid February | Semester 1: February – May Orientation: Mid February |
| Semester 2: July – November Orientation: Mid July | Semester 2: June – September Orientation: Mid June |
| Summer School: January – February | Semester 3: October – January Orientation: Mid October |

Application deadlines

The deadlines below refer to exchange applications for RMIT Australia and RMIT Vietnam. There are no set deadlines for study abroad applications to RMIT.

| Australia | Vietnam |
|---|--|
| Semester 1 31 October previous year | Semester 1 and 2 31 October previous year |
| 30 September previous year (Architecture students only) | |
| Semester 2 31 March current year (All students including Architecture students) | Semester 3 31 March current year |

For the most up to date information visit the following:

Australia: <http://bit.ly/aus-academiccalendar>

Vietnam: <http://bit.ly/vtn-academiccalendar>

“I chose RMIT because of the ranking and the variety of courses.

As it turns out it was ten thousand times better than I expected! **”**

Rachel Chuang

Taiwan



How to Apply

For Melbourne and Vietnam campuses.

1

Check you meet the entry requirements

You must:

- have completed at least one full year of studies at your home institution
- have a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.5 out of 4 or 60% average (or equivalent)
- meet RMIT's English language requirements
<http://bit.ly/englishrequirement>
- be 18 years of age or over at time of application.

2

Are you a Study Abroad or a Exchange student?

SA: Study abroad (fee paying)

If your home institution does not have an exchange agreement with RMIT or you do not receive an exchange nomination, you can still join us for one or two semesters. Tuition fees are paid directly to RMIT. Find out about fees: <http://bit.ly/aus-studyabroad>

EX: Exchange (fee waiver)

Exchange students are officially nominated by their home institution to study for one or two semesters at RMIT, under a reciprocal student exchange agreement. Tuition fees are paid to the home institution, not RMIT.

3

Design your program

Select RMIT courses. Check the course search tool, course restrictions, Vocational and Higher Education calendars and campus location.

Australia: <http://bit.ly/aus-coursesearch>

Vietnam: <http://bit.ly/vtn-coursesearch>

4

Submit your application online

Australia: www.rmit.edu.au/study-abroad-and-exchange

Vietnam: www.rmit.edu.vn/overseas-students-study-vietnam

5

Receive and accept your offer

You will receive an offer letter that you need to accept in order to secure your place in the program. We encourage to do this as soon as you can.

6

Receive visa documents and apply for visa

7

Travel to Australia/Vietnam

Find out what to expect when you arrive:

Australia: www1.rmit.edu.au/students/gettingstarted

Vietnam: www.rmit.edu.vn/getting-started-rmit

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Attend Global Mobility Orientation

Familiarise yourself with RMIT and the city. Meet new people that might be studying the same courses!

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Semester starts!

Get ready for one of the most fascinating experiences in your life.

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