



The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department) acknowledges that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are the traditional custodians of the Australian land.

Life in Australia – Australian values

The Australian Government encourages people to gain an understanding of Australia, its people and their way of life, before applying for a visa to live in Australia. As part of this application every person aged 18 years or over must declare that they will respect Australian values, as outlined below and obey the laws of Australia.

Australian values include respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, freedom of religion, commitment to the rule of law, Parliamentary democracy, equality of men and women and a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need and pursuit of the public good.

Australian society also values equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background.

It is also important to understand that English is the national language.

Further information is contained in the *Life in Australia* booklet, however, you are not required to read the booklet. The booklet is available in a wide range of languages. If you would like a copy of the booklet it can be obtained from www.border.gov.au

About this form

Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your application. Once you have completed your application we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

Integrity of application

The department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programmes. In relation to this application, if you or a member of your family unit:

- provide, or have provided in a previous application, fraudulent documents or false or misleading information (knowingly or not); and/or
- fail to satisfy, or have failed to satisfy in a previous application, the Minister of your or their identity;

this visa application may be refused and you, and any members of your family unit, may become unable to be granted a visa for specified periods of time, as set out in migration legislation.

If information or documents are found to be fraudulent or misleading after the grant of a visa, it may subsequently be cancelled.

Applying online

The department offers a number of convenient internet services for student visa applicants. **From April 2008, all eligible student subclass 570–576 visa holders will include permission to work as part of the initial student visa grant.** If you currently hold a student visa that is subject to condition 8101 and wish to apply for permission to work, use this form or apply online www.border.gov.au/trav/visa/appl/student

If you are not eligible to apply online, complete this form in ENGLISH in BLOCK LETTERS.

You can only apply using this form if you are in Australia.

In order to complete this form you must first read these notes and the information sheet *Applying for a student visa*, which is available from the department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/

To help you lodge your application and communicate with the department while your application is being processed you should read information form 1025i *Making and processing visa applications*, which is available from the department's website.

The application may be decided solely on the basis of information provided in this application. If you need more space to answer any question, write the details on a separate sheet, sign it and attach it to the application form. You must provide documentary support for your application and submit these documents when you lodge your application. Failure to provide all documentation may result in your application being refused. A decision on your application will be made on the basis of all the information you provide, your circumstances and the legal requirements which apply. If your circumstances change in any way after you make the application you must inform us of the new circumstances.

If you are currently the holder of a student subclass 570–576 visa and your application for permission to work is successful, you will be granted a new visa in the same subclass as the visa you currently hold. If you are currently the holder of a student subclass 560, 562 or 563 visa and your application for permission to work is successful, you will be granted a visa in the subclass that is appropriate to the education sector in which the principal visa holder is studying.

If your application for permission to work is not successful, but you nevertheless continue to meet the requirements for a student visa, then:

- if you currently hold a 570–576 visa you will be granted a new student visa of the same subclass to continue studying at your existing education provider;
- if you currently hold a 560, 562 or 563 visa you will be granted a new visa in the subclass that is appropriate to the education sector in which the principal visa holder is studying.

If your application for permission to work is not successful and you do not continue to meet the requirements for grant of a student visa, then your application may be refused.

Applicants who provide false or misleading information may either have their applications refused, or their permission to remain in Australia cancelled.

Visa conditions

You must comply with all of your visa conditions. Your conditions are outlined in the information sheet *Applying for a student visa*, which is available from the department's website.

Residential address

You must tell the department the address of where you intend to live while your application is being dealt with. Failure to give a residential address will result in your application being invalid. A post office box address will not be accepted as your residential address.

Evidence of commencement of study

To be granted a student visa with permission to work you **must** include satisfactory evidence from your education provider which demonstrates that you have commenced your course of study. Generally, the completed declaration by your education provider (below) will be sufficient evidence that you have commenced your course. If your education provider is unable to assist you with the declaration, please discuss this matter by calling 131 881, or visiting an office of the department, before lodging your application. Permission to work cannot be granted unless the decision maker is satisfied that you have commenced studies.

Note: Foreign Affairs and Defence students must also have the support of their sponsoring agency to be granted permission to work.

Visa Application Charge

Refer to Questions 22 and 23 *Payment details* of this form to calculate the correct charge and make payment.

Refer to www.border.gov.au/trav/visa/fees for a complete and current list of applicable fees and charges.

Fees and charges may be subject to change at any time and this may increase the cost of a visa application.

Generally, Visa Application Charges are reviewed on 1 July each year, and the exchange rates used to calculate the amount payable in a foreign country are updated on 1 January and 1 July each year.

If you do not pay the full Visa Application Charge amount, your visa application will not be valid.

Charges are generally not refundable, even if the application is withdrawn or refused.

Method of payment

To make a payment, please pay by credit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Credit card is the preferred method of payment.

Visa validity

If you are granted a new student visa on the basis of this application, your new visa can only allow the same period of stay in Australia as the student visa which it replaces. If you already hold a student visa and wish to apply for further stay in Australia as a student you must apply on form 157A *Application for a student visa*.

Immigration assistance

A person gives immigration assistance to you if he or she uses, or claims to use, his or her knowledge or experience in migration procedure to assist you with your visa application, request for ministerial intervention, cancellation review application, sponsorship or nomination.

In Australia a person may only lawfully give immigration assistance if he or she is a registered migration agent or is exempt from being registered. Only registered migration agents may receive a fee or reward for providing immigration assistance.

If an unregistered person in Australia, who is not exempt from registration, gives you immigration assistance they are committing a criminal offence and may be prosecuted.

Migration agents in Australia

Migration agents in Australia must be registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA) unless they are exempt from registration.

Migration agents outside Australia

Migration agents who operate outside Australia do not have to be registered. The department may give some overseas agents an ID number. This number does not mean that they are registered.

Note: Some Australian registered migration agents operate overseas.

Migration agent information

A migration agent is someone who can:

- advise you on the visa that may best suit you;
- tell you the documents you need to submit with your application;
- help you fill in the application and submit it; and
- communicate with the department on your behalf.

If you appoint a migration agent, the department will assume that your migration agent will be your authorised recipient, unless you indicate otherwise.

Your migration agent will be the person with whom the department will discuss your application and from whom it will seek further information when required.

You are not required to use a migration agent. However, if you use a migration agent, the department encourages you to use a registered migration agent. Registered agents are bound by the Migration Agents Code of Conduct, which requires them to act professionally in their clients' lawful best interests.

Information on migration agents, including a list of registered migration agents, is available on the Office of the MARA website www.mara.gov.au

You can also access information about migration agents on the department's website www.border.gov.au

Exempt persons

The following people do not have to be a registered migration agent in order to provide immigration assistance, but they must not charge a fee for their service:

- a close family member (spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, brother or sister);
- a member of parliament or their staff;
- an official whose duties include providing immigration assistance (eg. a Legal Aid provider);
- a member of a diplomatic mission, consular post or international organisation.

Appointing a migration agent/exempt person

To appoint a migration agent/exempt person you should complete Question 21 *Options for receiving written communications*.

Your migration agent/exempt person should complete form 956 *Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance*.

Form 956 is available from the department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/

Options for receiving written communications

If you do not appoint a migration agent/exempt person you may still authorise another person, in writing, to receive written communications on your behalf. This person is called the authorised recipient.

Authorised recipient information

All written communication about your application will be sent to your authorised recipient, unless you indicate that you wish to have health and/or character information sent directly to you.

The department will communicate with the most recently appointed authorised recipient as you may only appoint one authorised recipient at any time for a particular application.

You will be taken to have received any documents sent to that person as if they had been sent to you.

To appoint an authorised recipient you should complete:

- Question 21 *Options for receiving written communications*; and
- form 956A *Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient*.

Note: Migration agents/exempt persons do not need to complete form 956A.

Form 956A is available from the department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/

Consent to communicate electronically

The department may use a range of means to communicate with you. However, electronic means such as fax or email will only be used if you indicate your agreement to receiving communication in this way.

To process your application the department may need to communicate with you about sensitive information, for example, health, police checks, financial viability and personal relationships. Electronic communications, unless adequately encrypted, are not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with.

If you agree to the department communicating with you by electronic means, the details you provide will only be used by the department for the purpose for which you have provided them, unless there is a legal obligation or necessity to use them for another purpose, or you have consented to use for another purpose. They will not be added to any mailing list.

The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the department over the internet or by other electronic means.

If you authorise another person to receive documents on your behalf and they wish to be contacted electronically, their signature is required on form 956 or 956A to indicate their consent to this form of communication.

Note: Electronic communication is the fastest means of communication available and the department prefers to communicate electronically because this results in faster processing.

Important information about privacy

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988*. Important information about the collection, use and disclosure (to other agencies and third parties, including overseas entities) of your personal information, including sensitive information, is contained in form 1442i *Privacy notice*. Form 1442i is available from the department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/ or offices of the department. You should ensure that you read and understand form 1442i before completing this form. For more detailed information you should read information form 1243i *Your personal identifying information*, which is available from the department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/ or from any office of the department or Australian mission overseas.

Review rights

Only the decision to refuse to grant a visa is reviewable.

Home page **www.border.gov.au**

General enquiry line

Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

Please keep these information pages for your reference

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Please use a pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable

Your details

1 Your full name in English

Family name

Given names

2 Sex Male Female

3 Date of birth

4 Your student ID number

5 Details from your passport

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Issuing authority/
Place of issue as shown in your passport

6 Details of identity card or identity number issued to you by your government (if applicable) eg. National identity card.

Note: If you are the holder of multiple identity numbers because you are a citizen of more than one country, you need to enter the identity number on the card from the country that you live in.

Identity number

Country of issue

7 Give the visa label number of last Australian visa granted.

Visa label number

If granted a visa without a label, please provide the 13-digit visa grant number, as shown on the letter notifying you of the grant of the visa.

Visa grant number

8 Your current residential address

Note: A post office box address will not be accepted as your residential address. Failure to give a residential address will result in your application being invalid.

9 Address for correspondence

(If the same as your residential address, write 'AS ABOVE')

10 Your overseas address

11 Your telephone number

12 Do you agree to the department communicating with you by fax, email or other electronic means?

No
 Yes Give details

Fax number

Email address

- 13** Have you attached evidence that the student has commenced their course?
- No ► The education provider must complete the details in the box below
- Yes ► **Go to Question 14**

- 14** Who is applying?
- Student only ► **Go to Question 17**
- Student and family ► **Go to Question 15**
- Family member(s) only

About your family

- 15** How many people are included in this application?

- 16** Give details of all members of your family unit who are included in this application (*if applicable*). Members of the family unit may include your spouse or de facto partner and any dependent children of you or your spouse or de facto partner who are unmarried and have not yet turned 18 years of age.
(*If more than one family member, please attach a separate sheet*)

Name

Relationship

Date of birth

Give the visa label number of last Australian visa granted.

Visa label number

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Visa grant number

Education provider details
to be completed by an authorised education provider officer

Name of education provider

Transaction Reference Number (TRN)

eCoE code or

Provider CRICOS code* *provide CRICOS codes only if CoE code is unavailable

Course CRICOS code* CoE code is unavailable

Course start date

Course finish date

The following declaration must be signed and dated by an authorised education provider officer

I confirm that the student named on this form has commenced their course.

Name (please print)

Signature

Date

Stamp

(for verification purposes education providers should use their official stamp on this form)

Assistance with this form

17 Did you receive assistance in completing this form?

No ► **Go to Question 21**

Yes ► Please give details of the person who assisted you

Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other

Family name

Given names

Address

<input type="text"/>
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POSTCODE

Telephone number or daytime contact

	COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
Office hours	()	()	

Mobile/cell

18 Is the person an agent registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA)?

No

Yes ► **Go to Question 21**

19 Is the person/agent in Australia?

No ► **Go to Question 21**

Yes

20 Did you pay the person/agent and/or give a gift for this assistance?

No

Yes

Options for receiving written communications

21 All written communications about this application should be sent to:
(Tick one box only)

Myself

OR

Authorised recipient ► You should complete form 956A *Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient*

OR

Migration agent ► Your migration agent/exempt person should complete form 956 *Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance*

OR

Exempt person

Declaration

WARNING: Giving false or misleading information or documents is a serious offence.

24 The following declaration must be signed and dated by all people over 18 years of age included in this application.

Parents/a person(s) who has legal custody must complete the declaration on behalf of any children under 18 years of age or any person who lacks the legal capacity to sign on their own behalf.

- *I certify the information supplied on and with this form is complete, correct and up-to-date.*
- *If granted a visa, I acknowledge that I am required to abide by its conditions as outlined in the information sheet Applying for a student visa.*
- *I am aware that I must immediately advise the department if I become aware that any information provided in this form is incorrect or if there is a change in my circumstances at any time.*
- *I will respect Australian values as listed on this form, during my stay in Australia and will obey the laws of Australia.*
- *I have read the information contained in form 1442i Privacy notice.*
- *I understand the department may collect, use and disclose my personal information (including biometric information and other sensitive information) as outlined in form 1442i Privacy notice.*
- *I understand that if any fraudulent documents or false or misleading information has been provided with this application, or if I fail to satisfy the Minister of my identity, my application may be refused and I, and any other member of my family unit, may become unable to be granted a visa for specified periods of time.*
- *If documents are found to be fraudulent or information to be incorrect after the grant of a visa, the visa may subsequently be cancelled.*

Signature



DAY MONTH YEAR
Date / /

Signature



DAY MONTH YEAR
Date / /

We strongly advise that you keep a copy of your application and all attachments for your records.