

Preparing for Monash College

Your step-by-step guide to coming to Australia.

Before you leave home

Documentation and customs



- Apply for your passport.
- Arrange your student visa.
- Purchase travel insurance (Overseas Student Health Cover).
- Make printed and electronic copies of your personal ID documents such as driver's licence and birth certificate. Carry a printed copy with you, and leave a copy at home with your family.
- Check Australia's customs and quarantine regulations before you pack.

Medical



- Visit your doctor for immunisations, medication and to make arrangements for any pre-existing medical conditions.



Banking



- Apply for a credit card with at least a \$3000 limit.
- Pre-open an Australian bank account and transfer funds.
- Plan to bring \$700-\$1000 cash (Australian dollars) with you for taxis, trams and phone calls.


Accommodation



- Research accommodation options and select the one that best suits you: on campus, off campus or homestay.
- Arrange accommodation in consultation with Monash College.
- Contact your accommodation to confirm when you arrive.
- Book your airport pickup at monashcollege.edu.au/airport-booking to take you to your accommodation when you arrive. Remember to book this at least five days before you leave home.

Preparing to fly

Don't forget to pack

- Spare glasses or contact lenses and a copy of your prescription.
 - Personal items, including photographs and traditional costumes for cultural activities.
 - Bilingual dictionary.
 - Laptop, charger and power-point adaptors.
 - Guardianship documents (if you are under 18).
 - Passport with student visa.
 - Monash College letter of offer.
 - Travel insurance policy.
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- A printout of your airport pickup confirmation email.
 - A printed copy of your electronic Certificate of Enrolment.
 - A printed copy of your Authority to Enrol.

When you arrive in Melbourne

Settling in

- Call your family and tell them you have arrived safely.
- Open a bank account.
- Apply for a tax file number (if you want to work while studying).
- Buy a myki card to travel on Melbourne's trains, trams and buses.

Enrolment and orientation

- Arrive in Melbourne at least one week before enrolment to settle in.
- Attend enrolment on the date you have been advised.
- Get to know your campus, new city and fellow students by taking part in Monash College's orientation program.

Get involved!

- Take part in student activities and social events.
 - Stay up to date with what's happening at Monash College by liking our Facebook page: facebook.com/MonashCollegeAustralia
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