

Dear partner,

Monash University will assist eligible prospective students awaiting student visa approval, allowing them to arrive in person and attend classes on campus by 17 March, if necessary.

If students have already received their student visa

The option to arrive by the start of week three (17 March) is only available to those who are waiting to get their student visa approved. Those who have had their visa approved should organise to be in Melbourne before Orientation, and **no later than the start of week one (3 March)**. Orientation and the first two weeks are key to a successful student experience, where they'll learn essential information on commencing their course, campus services, academic resources, and support systems to help them succeed throughout their studies.

If students have not received their student visa, including those who have yet to apply for a student visa

Students enrolled in eligible courses who are waiting for their visa application to be processed have until Monday 17 March (start of week three) to arrive in-person and attend classes on campus by this date. This allows students extra time to get their visa approved and still commence in the upcoming teaching period.

Students should accept their offer and enrol in their units **no later than 7 March**, rather than waiting for their visa approval, to ensure they can commence their studies in semester one. If they haven't yet applied for their visa, it's important to do so immediately.

Online learning activities aren't available unless the <u>unit mode</u> is online or flexible. Please advise students to check their timetable and class schedules, review learning materials on Moodle, and arrive on campus as soon as they are able.

What to do if students cannot arrive by 17 March

If you are unable to attend campus by 17 March, you will <u>need to defer</u>. Monash will hold any fees paid for the future semester should you need to defer. If you need to withdraw from your course, you may be entitled to a refund. Check Monash's <u>refund</u> webpage and <u>student fees</u> <u>refund procedure</u> (PDF, 235 KB) for more details.

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Students from the attached list of course cannot extend their arrival beyond the end of week one. If they do not receive their visa in time to attend classes by then, they must defer their course to a later intake.

For any questions related to this late arrival option, please advise students to contact <u>Monash</u> <u>Connect</u>.



Regards, Jenny McHendrie Director, International Marketing and Recruitment