

Genuine Student declaration



This form is for international applicants to the University of Melbourne who will require an Australian student visa to study their intended course. All applicants for a student visa, regardless of nationality, must:

- demonstrate that they are a genuine applicant for entry under **the Department of Home Affairs' (DHA) genuine student criteria**.
- be able to demonstrate that they are able to fund tuition fees and living costs for the duration of their stay.
- be prepared to provide documentary evidence to DHA to support their application.

To assist you in preparing your visa application, it is recommended that you refer to the **“Check twice, submit once” resource**.

The University may conduct its own internal Genuine Student (GS) assessment as part of its obligations under the Simplified Student Visa Framework (SSVF), prior to releasing an unconditional offer of admission and Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE). This form will form part of that assessment and the University may request evidence to support the claims made in this form at any stage of the application process. A copy of this form will be retained on the application for audit purposes.

To avoid delays in processing your application, please ensure that you have all documents ready to submit if requested.

Section A. Applicant details

Given name	
Family name	
Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	
Passport number	
Marital status	

Dependent spouse and/or children

(provide name, date of birth and your relationship to each, below, if applicable):

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Will your spouse and/or your dependents be accompanying you to Australia?

Section B. Course selections

Course of application (first preference only)	
Major (if applicable)	

Summarise why you wish to study this course at the University of Melbourne (maximum 150 words):

Summarise how this course will be of benefit to you (maximum 150 words):

If the course you are applying for is at the same level as a course you have completed, provide an explanation below as to why you wish to complete another degree at the same level:

Note: The University may contact you to request further information or evidence to support the claims made above.

Section C. Immigration history

	Yes	No
Do you currently hold, or have you ever held, an Australian visa of any type?		
Do you currently hold, or have you ever held, any type of visa for another country?		
Have you or any of your immediate family members, had a visa application for entry or further study (in Australia or any other country) withdrawn or refused, or had a visa cancelled?		
Do you or your spouse (if applicable) have any relatives currently living in Australia?		

If you have answered yes to any of the above questions, provide below or attach a summary of your immigration history. You may be asked to provide documentary evidence (e.g. visa grant or refusal letter) to support your claims.

Section D. Financial information

How do you intend to fund your tuition and living costs for the duration of your studies?

Check applicable option(s)

Self-funded

Sponsored by immediate family member(s) | Relationship to applicant: _____

Scholarship*

Government sponsorship*

Other (provide details): _____

*If you have selected scholarship or government sponsorship, complete the following:

Name of scholarship/sponsorship	
Application status	
Funding	

Note: The University may request evidence of meeting the financial requirement at any stage of your application. This may include (but not limited to) salary slips, tax returns, bank statements, evidence of scholarship or sponsorship.

Section E. Applicant checklist

	Yes	No
I am prepared to address the criteria outlined in the DHA Genuine Student requirement and can provide my responses on request by the University.		
I can provide sufficient evidence to demonstrated my ability to fund my tuition and living costs for the duration of my studies if requested.		
I understand that if I am unable to pay for my tuition fees, my enrolment will be cancelled by the University.		
I understand that while I am allowed to work a limited number of hours according to student visa regulations, these funds will only be sufficient to supplement living costs and must not be relied upon as the only source of income to pay tuition fees.		
I am likely to meet the University's English language requirements prior to the commencement of the semester in which I wish to commence study.		
I understand that my course offer may be withdrawn if the University is not satisfied that I meet the genuine student requirement.		
I understand that my student visa application may be rejected if it is found my visa documents are fraudulent or DHA is not satisfied that I am a genuine student.		

Section F. Applicant declaration

I declare that the information and documentation provided in this form is true and accurate.

Applicant's signature (as per passport)	
Date (dd/mm/yyyy)	

If you are under 18, your parent or guardian must complete and sign the below.

Parent/guardian full name	
Relationship to applicant	
Signature	
Date (dd/mm/yyyy)	

Section G. Agent declaration

This section is for applicants who have used an approved University of Melbourne education agents to assist you with your application.

Agent business name	
Agent counsellor name	
Agent signature	
Date (dd/mm/yyyy)	