

## AUSTRALIA

### Melbourne Business School

Melbourne Business School (MBS) is jointly established, owned and led by corporate Australia and the University of Melbourne. While the University of Melbourne offered its first MBA in Australia in 1963, the university has a history dating back to 1853. Now, it is one of the largest business schools in Asia Pacific and was ranked 32<sup>nd</sup> in the world and 1<sup>st</sup> in Oceania in the 2025 *QS World University Rankings*.

Located in Melbourne, in the suburbs of Carlton, the Melbourne Business School offers a range of postgraduate management education and executive education development programs.

The school's primary function is the creation and transfer of management education and knowledge. Through the synergy of teaching, research and service, MBS contributes to the business, cultural, economic, and social well-being of its communities and constituents. The school offers a holistic educational experience to students and participants to better prepare them to assume leadership roles in organizations across sectors and across the world.

### **FACILITIES/HOUSING**

MBS is a small campus, just a 10-minute walk from the Melbourne Central Business District and approximately 20 minutes from Tullamarine Airport. Inside the school, you will find a range of well-equipped spaces, including state-of-the-art lecture theatres and syndicate rooms designed specifically to maximize effective learning and communication. MBS students also receive free access to a gym and have their own dedicated lounge equipped with foosball and table tennis tables, as well as complimentary tea, coffee, and chilled water.

Exchange students are required to arrange their own accommodation as MBS does not offer on-campus accommodation. Accommodation rates are around AUD \$450-700 per week for a single occupancy rental. Shared accommodation may cost less.

### **SEMESTER DATES (Approximate Dates)**

Students can study abroad on the exchange program at Melbourne Business School in terms 1 and term 4, which is equivalent to spring and fall semesters at USC, respectively.

Term 4: September 28 – December 6, 2026; Exam week: December 7-11

(USC Fall Semester)

Term 1: January 12 – March 22, 2027; Exam week: March 13-27

(USC Spring Semester)

## WORKLOAD

A full-time study load is 4 subjects per term, which may be taught in a range of formats: daytime, evening, weekend, hyper-intensive (e.g., over five consecutive days). Each subject is worth 12.5 credit points and has 30 contact hours. Scheduling of elective subjects is typically one 3-hour class per week x 10 weeks. Terms are generally 10 weeks in duration followed by an examination week.

## UNIT VALUE AND CONVERSION

12.5 MBS credits = 4 USC Units

Minimum and Maximum Units: 50 MBS units = can earn only 15 USC Units

**Note: You may earn less than 15 units if some courses are not approved for study abroad.**

## MINIMUM PASSING GRADE REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN USC CREDITS

H2B (70-74%) or better

## ESTIMATED COSTS

This is an estimated student budget. All costs are subject to change without notice.

<b>Melbourne School of Business Australia</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Estimated Amt in US Dollars</b>
USC MBA Tuition Rate (Maximum 15 units x \$2,541* per unit)	\$38,115.00
Room and Board	\$7,200.00
Food	\$3,600.00
Books and Supplies	\$1,000.00
Airfare	\$1,500.00
Local Transportation	\$1,000.00
USC Health Insurance*	\$2,298.00
Insurance at Host Institute	\$200.00
Visa	\$600.00
Passport	\$140.00
Vaccinations/Health Fees	\$300.00
Miscellaneous/Personal	\$3,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$59,453.00</b>

\*Rate based on Spring 2026

Further information can be found at <https://mbs.edu/home>