



AUSTRALIA



JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY

About the Program in Townsville and Cairns, Australia

- Available for fall, spring, summer, or the academic year
- Two campuses to choose from
- Eligible for transfer credit
- On-campus or off-campus accommodation available
- Language requirements: None

Why Australia?

Australia's varied landscape, cultural diversity, and rich history offer something for everyone. Whether you are looking for a beach or desert, bustling cities or quaint towns, Australia has it all. James Cook University (JCU) provides a great academic base from which to explore the Great Barrier Reef, the tropical rainforests, the out-back, and more.

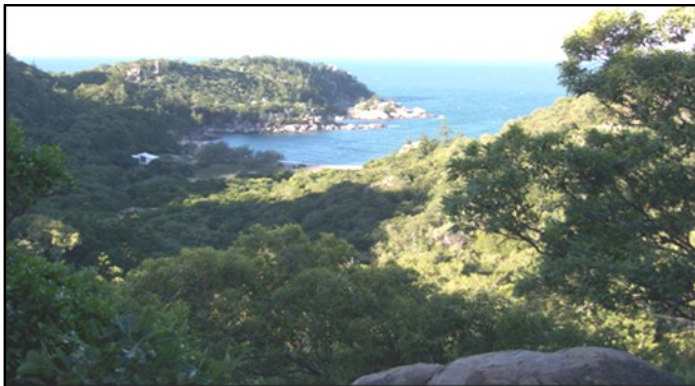


Photo taken by a UMW student on a trip to Maggie Island, off the coast of Townsville.

Study at James Cook University (JCU)

Diverse environments, vibrant communities, and challenging academic programs are just a few of the reasons why so many students choose to study abroad at James Cook University. No other university offers such a wide range of classes in the shadow of two of the world's finest natural heritage areas - the Wet Tropic Rainforests and the Great Barrier Reef. JCU has an international reputation for expertise in matters relating to the tropics - marine biology, environmental studies, and tropical health - while offering courses in everything from business to indigenous Australian studies. Small classes, accessible teaching staff, and effective support services give students the personal attention they need. For more information, visit www.jcu.edu.au/international.



The James Cook University entrance.

Excursions

The JCU International Student Centre (ISC) sponsors excursions on weekends. As part of Orientation Week, the ISC organizes subsidized excursions for all new students. The province of Queensland offers many leisure activities that take advantage of the environment and pleasant climate. Students may visit the Great Barrier Reef and the rainforests of Paluma, go mountain biking and bush trekking, or visit nearby island resorts by ferry. Excursions are not included in the cost of the program, but discount rates are available during student orientation.



Snorkeling at the Great Barrier Reef, off the coast of Cairns.

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Eligibility

This program is open to undergraduate students who have completed 12 or more UMW credits and have at least a 2.8 GPA. Students with a 2.5 GPA or higher will be considered on a case-by-case basis.



UMW student Amber Goldwasser holding a baby turtle on a field trip to Toomba.



UMW student Catzby Pitzvada playing with baby kangaroos on a trip to the Billabong Sanctuary in Townsville.

Academics

Students may typically enroll in four courses, each worth 3 credit points. A full-time load at JCU is 12 credit points. In order for credits to transfer, all courses must be pre-approved by a UMW department chair. Elective credits may be approved by the Center for International Education. Students must receive a "C" or better for courses to transfer.

Services

Program services include advising services, airport greeting, on-site orientation, access to 24-hour computer labs, internet access, banking and ATM facilities, a fitness center, and credit transfer. Orientation provides an introduction to JCU, the campus culture, academic advisors, and the international office staff. Other activities include a traditional Aussie barbecue and a city tour. Students must purchase international health insurance through UMW. It is recommended that students keep their domestic insurance policy active while abroad. No refunds are given for dual coverage.

Housing and Meals

The JCU Accommodation Service provides assistance with both on-campus and off-campus housing. Most on-campus housing includes meals. Due to the high demand for on-campus housing, students are encouraged to submit their housing application early. Different items and services are included depending on the housing option, but all students will need to purchase linens upon arrival.

Application Deadlines

TERM	UMW DEADLINES	PROGRAM DATES
Fall Semester	Mid-March	July to November
Spring Semester	Mid-October	February to June
Summer	Early April	June to July



Skydiving in Cairns, a four hour drive north of Townsville.