

Foundation Studies

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Academic requirements

Equivalent of year 11 (completion of senior high school in countries where this is not considered equivalent to an Australian year 12).

English requirements

Minimum English language proficiency level of IELTS 5.5 with no individual band less than 5.0, or equivalent. If your intended undergraduate degree requires an English proficiency level of IELTS 7.0 or above, you must have a minimum English proficiency level of IELTS 6.0 with no individual band less than 6.0, or equivalent.

Campus

Melbourne, North Sydney

Entry

March

Duration

30 weeks of study (full-time)

Total fee

AU\$20,596

Find out more

acu.edu.au/courses/fs

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WHY STUDY THIS PROGRAM?

- Develop skills and confidence and transfer your knowledge to new learning contexts both at undergraduate level and throughout your life.
- Benefit from being part of a university campus from the moment you enrol. You will be an ACU student from day one with a student ID card and access to all campus facilities including free Wi-Fi, library resources, student welfare and support services, and lots of fun activities and events as well.
- Gain guaranteed entry to your chosen ACU undergraduate degrees as long as you achieve the grade point average and English proficiency level required for your degree.
- The ACU Foundation program is specifically designed for international students and meets the requirements for Foundation Programs which have been registered on CRICOS for delivery in Australia to overseas students. The program provides academic preparation for overseas students seeking entry to first year undergraduate study or its equivalent.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Foundation Studies will prepare you for undergraduate study at ACU by providing a course specifically designed for Australian Catholic University. As a Foundation Studies student you will study on campus and be immersed in the distinctive culture of the university throughout your preparation course. You will become familiar with ACU facilities, resources and systems and with the academic expectations and assessment models used in undergraduate degrees at ACU.

The Foundation Studies program is offered over 3 x 10-week terms, each term followed by an exam week and a break week. You will have 22-25 hours of scheduled class per week, a total of 720 hours over 30 weeks.

COURSE STRUCTURE

To qualify for course completion, you must pass:

- nine specified units
- two elective units.

ADMISSION TO FURTHER STUDIES AT ACU

To qualify for entry to an ACU diploma or undergraduate degree you must meet the Grade Point Average and English proficiency level for entry to your intended diploma or undergraduate degree.

For GPA requirements for progression from the Foundation Studies program into ACU full degree programs please visit acu.edu.au/fs-gpa

MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENTS

You must be at least 17 years of age on commencement of the Foundation Studies Program.

SAMPLE COURSE MAP - FOUNDATION STUDIES

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| YEAR 1 | Term 1 | Academic English 1 | Mathematics 1 | Society and culture | Introduction to science |
| | Term 2 | Academic English 2 | Mathematics 2 | Global studies | Digital literacies |
| | Term 3 | Tertiary literacy | | Communication for reflective practice <i>and/or</i> English language and literature <i>and/or</i> Business studies | Biology <i>and/or</i> Chemistry |

Note: With the exception of Tertiary literacy, your choice of units in Term 3 is determined by your intended undergraduate degree.

