

# Information for New International Students

Welcome to Curtin University of Technology and the beautiful city of Perth. The following information will help you settle into university life at Curtin so that you will enjoy a rewarding cultural and study experience.

## Your arrival

On your arrival in Perth, you will be met at the airport by a Curtin representative. You will receive a Welcome Pack which contains useful and important information about your time at Curtin. If you have already arranged on-campus accommodation and arrive between 8.30am and 3.00pm, Monday to Friday, you will be taken directly to your housing. If you do not have accommodation arranged or arrive outside these hours, you will be taken to the University's selected temporary accommodation.

## Accommodation

The next working day students staying at the temporary accommodation will be met in the hotel lobby by Curtin Housing staff at 8.30am sharp. Students who DO NOT have housing arranged will be transported to Housing Services at Curtin and will be assisted by staff in finding accommodation. Students staying at the temporary accommodation and who DO have accommodation arranged must make their way to their accommodation at their own expense. Housing staff will help organise a taxi with fellow students. This service is only available from 23 June to 1 August 2008.

## Settling in

Orientation for international students starts on Monday 14 July. Until this date you have free time to familiarise yourself with the University campus, local shopping areas and the public transport system. You may also need to buy a few essential items such as sheets, towels, cooking utensils and so on.

## Banking

You will need to open a bank account to safely manage your money while you are in Australia. There are two banks on Curtin's main Bentley campus: BankWest and UniCredit. Both offer special student accounts. BankWest will be available in Building 408 from Monday 14 July – Friday 25 July (excluding weekends) for students to open bank accounts. For exact times, please check on the back of this schedule. Bring your passport and some other form of identification, such as a driver's licence or enrolment form, with you.

## Enrolments

You must attend the scheduled Enrolment Briefing for your Faculty on Monday 14 July.

## Support

The Academic Gateway Program is offered by the Student Learning Support Centre at Curtin. If you have booked a place in this program, and have not yet received confirmation of your booking, please telephone +61 8 9266 3825.

Please also visit [www.oweeek.curtin.edu.au](http://www.oweeek.curtin.edu.au) to find out what academic events are offered in O Week

## Prep Week Events for International Students: Mon 14 July - Fri 18 July

<b>Mon 14</b>	<b>Enrolment Briefings</b> All new international students must attend the Enrolment Briefing relevant to the Faculty they are entering.
	Curtin Business School   Elizabeth Jolley Lecture Theatre Building 210 Room 101   9.30am – 11.00am
	Humanities   Elizabeth Jolley Lecture Theatre Building 210 Room 101   11.30am – 12.30pm
	Health Science   Elizabeth Jolley Lecture Theatre Building 210 Room 101   1.00pm – 2.00pm
	Science & Engineering   Elizabeth Jolley Lecture Theatre Building 210 Room 101   2.30pm – 3.30pm
<b>Tue 15</b>	<b>Creating Connections</b>   Jones Lecture Theatre Building 402 Room 220   9.00am – 10.00am This session looks at what you can do to establish both new friendships and your place in the Curtin community.
	<b>Getting Around Safe and Sound</b>   Ken Hall Lecture Theatre Building 403 Room 101   10.30am – 12.30pm Information session about driving in Western Australia and road regulations.
<b>Wed 16</b>	<b>International Orientation Seminar</b>   Elizabeth Jolley Lecture Theatre Building 210 Room 101   9.00am – 10.30pm <b>This is a compulsory session for all international students.</b> You will be provided important information.
	<b>Info Expo</b>   Guild Precinct 106   10.30am – 12.30pm Experience the multicultural vibe at Curtin. Join various international clubs, enjoy music, food and get information on support services.
<b>Thu 17</b>	<b>The Brain Game</b>   Ken Hall Lecture Theatre Building 403 Room 101   9.30am – 10.30am The brain game session will give students the opportunity to explore ways of turning brainpower into successful learning.
	<b>English Language &amp; Support Seminar</b>   Ken Hall Lecture Theatre Building 403 Room 101   10.30am – 12.00pm This session aims to inform new international students about the English language support available on campus.

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<b>Thu 17</b>	<b>This is Australia</b>   <b>Ken Hall Lecture Theatre Building 403 Room 101</b>   <b>2.00pm – 4.00pm</b> This session looks at the ups and downs of making a successful adjustment to living and studying in a new place.
<b>Fri 18</b>	<b>Q &amp; A Day</b>   <b>Volunteer Help Points at Building 599, International Office, Student Central and Library</b>   <b>All day</b> Your chance to get those big and small questions answered.
	<b>City Explorer</b>   <b>Buses leave from behind building 408 (near CBS)</b>   <b>3.15pm – 10.00pm</b> This bus tour will take you to see an Indigenous Performance, visit shopping sites and eat dinner in Fremantle.
<b>Sat 19</b>	<b>International Students' Committee Discover Perth Tour</b>   <b>Meet outside Building 408 at 8.00am</b>   <b>8:30am – 5.00pm</b> Come and discover some of Perth's local and most beautiful attractions.

## O Week Events for All Students: Mon 21 July - Fri 25 July

<b>Mon 21</b>	<b>Official Welcome</b>   <b>Elizabeth Jolley Lecture Theatre 210.101</b>   <b>9.00am – 9.45am</b> The official welcome. Listen to an inspiring address by the Vice Chancellor, Jeanette Hacket and Guild President.
	<b>Study Abroad &amp; Exchange Orientation</b>   <b>Hollis Lecture Theatre II 401.001</b>   <b>10.00am – 1.00pm</b> Only for Study Abroad/Exchange students, studying for one or two semesters.
<b>Tues 22</b>	<b>Creating Connections</b>   <b>Jones Lecture Theatre Building 402 Room 220</b>   <b>9.00am – 10.00am</b> This session looks at what you can do to establish both new friendships and your place in the Curtin community.
	<b>Getting on the Right Track</b>   <b>Ken Hall Lecture Theatre Building 403 Room 101</b>   <b>2.00pm – 4.00pm</b> This session is for mature-aged students, aimed at helping you address challenges when transitioning into university.
	<b>Parents' Night</b>   <b>Building 408 Room 1019</b>   <b>6.30pm – 8.00pm</b> Useful information for parents and partners on what to expect in the university experience and your role in student life.
<b>Wed 23</b>	<b>International Orientation Seminar (Repeat)</b>   <b>Ken Hall Lecture Theatre Building 403 Room 101</b>   <b>9.30am – 10.30am</b> <b>Repeat</b> seminar for international students who could not attend the session on Wednesday 16 July.
<b>Thu 24</b>	<b>Postgraduate and Research Orientation Session</b>   <b>Elizabeth Jolley Case Study Room Building 210 Room 104</b>   <b>8.30am – 11.30am</b> Orientation session for Research Doctoral and Research Masters postgraduate students. Run by the Office of Research and Development.
	<b>CUPSA Lunch</b>   <b>Centrelink Courtyard</b>   <b>12.00pm</b> A gathering for new postgraduate students. Register at the Guild reception.
	<b>Stretching Your Student Dollar</b>   <b>Jones Lecture Theatre Building 402 Room 220</b>   <b>12.00pm – 2.00pm</b> Get some advice on how to manage your finances, shop economically and live healthily on a student income.
	<b>Housing Residence Welcomes</b>   <b>Campus housing</b>   <b>4.00pm onwards</b> For students living on campus. Please check with your Residence Office for time and location.
<b>Fri 25</b>	<b>Kick Starting Your Career</b>   <b>Ken Hall Lecture Theatre Building 403 Room 101</b>   <b>12.00pm – 1.30pm</b> This workshop provides a plan for easy career steps to undertake while at University.
	<b>O Week Party</b>   <b>Guild Tavern and Courtyard 106</b>   <b>6.00pm til Late</b> Your chance to live-it-up before classes start. Dance and party the night away.

## Activities Run Throughout Prep Week and O Week for All Students

<b>BankWest Opening</b>	Mon 14 ( <b>8am – 8pm</b> ), Tue 15 ( <b>8am – 8pm</b> ), Wed 16 ( <b>8am – 8pm</b> ), Thu 17 (9.30am – 4pm), Fri 18 (9.30am – 5pm) Mon 21 (9.30am – 4pm), Tue 22 (10am – 4pm), Wed 23 (9.30am – 4pm), Thu 24 ( <b>8am – 8pm</b> ), Fri 25 (9.30am – 5pm)
<b>Library Tours</b>	<b>Survival @ your library sessions.</b> Thu 17 (12pm), Fri 18 (1.30pm), Mon 21 (10am, 11am, 12 noon, 1pm, 5pm), Tue 22 (11am, 12 noon), Wed 23 (11am, 12 noon, 5pm), Thu 24 (11am, 12 noon), Fri 25 (11am, 12 noon)
<b>Guild Explore Tours</b>	Mon 21 (11am), Tue 22 (11am), Thu 24 (11am)