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Diploma of Language and Culture

Have you ever wanted to travel and study overseas?

International travel is one of the greatest experiences you can undertake. It broadens the mind and provides opportunities to meet new people and see places completely outside of your everyday experience. You'll learn about other cultures and equip yourself for a working life where you can relate well to people in Australia and overseas. Employers love graduates with real world experience. CSU's Diploma of Language and Culture allows you to experience all of this and really stand out when you apply for a job.

Perhaps you'd like to take a gap year before starting University, or you are completing your Bachelor degree and want to spend a year seeing the world before starting work. CSU's Diploma of Language and Culture might be just the thing for you. Not only will you earn a University qualification while travelling, but CSU will help you to find a place overseas at one of more than 300 partner universities in more than 50 countries.

What is CSU's Diploma of Language and Culture?

CSU's Diploma of Language and Culture offers students an introduction to a foreign country, its people, language and culture, as well as a solid grounding in international relations. It is designed for students who are new to CSU, as well as current students from across all our faculties.

In your first six months, you will study International Relations and three additional online subjects from a range of electives such as Business Economics, Media and Culture or Politics of Identity. If you make satisfactory progress (a Credit average is necessary for some overseas institutions) you will spend the next six months at a partner university overseas in the International Exchange program where you will study language, culture, and specialisations that interest you.

Career opportunities

The world is becoming more interconnected every day. In a world where many people hold tertiary qualifications, the Diploma of Language and Culture offers students a way to distinguish themselves from the crowd. Opportunities will open up for students to work for multinational corporations and government agencies, as well as with foreign language communities in Australia and overseas.

The International Exchange program offers many other benefits:

- expands your experiences and horizons
- connects you to friends and employers overseas
- creates a pathway to further study in Australia and overseas
- enhances your employment opportunities when you graduate
- contributes to your personal maturity, independence, self-knowledge and confidence.

Some reasons for studying Language and Culture at CSU:

- immerse yourself in a culture and its language
- distinguish yourself from the crowd with your international and cross-cultural experience
- completion of this course may provide you with credit for a related Bachelor degree.





“Exchange gave me the opportunity to live and study in Paris for my second-last session. I’d always wanted

to live overseas, and CSU’s support meant I was able to do so while also furthering my studies. It helped me gain a global perspective on my degree (business management) and experience a different approach to university.

“I made so many friends from around the world, travelled the UK and Europe, spent Anzac Day at Gallipoli, while experiencing an extremely different, and rich culture. I’ve come away from exchange with so many memories as well as a bucket load of life experience.

“I cannot stress enough how amazing the experience has been for me. Quite simply it’s life changing. I’ve learnt so much about myself and what I am capable of. Every student should do it!”

Emily Parr, CSU graduate

“I now have direction and purpose in my life, something that I may have never discovered unless I embarked on exchange. I emerged from this unique experience as a new, revitalised, and extremely happy person.”

Ryan Todd, CSU graduate

Credit, conditions and cost

Advanced standing into a Diploma is not available. However, the subjects that you study in the Diploma may be used as credit into most in most Bachelor degrees. How much credit you get depends on the degree, but in some cases you’ll be able to count the whole year towards your degree. To find out how much credit you can receive towards further study, contact our friendly staff by phoning 1800 334 733

In order for CSU to allocate you a placement at an overseas university, you need to satisfactorily complete one session (four subjects) of study at CSU. Depending on the partner university, you may need to attain a Ccredit average.

Studying overseas involves additional costs for travel and living expenses. It is recommended that you include \$10,000 to \$15,000 in your budget for a six-month period of overseas study.

Studying online

The Diploma of Language and Culture is offered online. Charles Sturt University is one of the most experienced providers of online education in Australia. Our innovative course delivery uses the latest technology to connect you with your teachers, learning materials and fellow students. You will have access to our comprehensive communication systems, online forums, wikis, blogs, podcasts and library resources.

Studying online provides real flexibility, allowing you the freedom to choose when and where you complete your degree. With the flexibility of CSU’s online learning and research tools, you can study your own way, in your own time.

For more information about studying online with CSU, visit:

futurestudents.csu.edu.au/csu-online

Further information

For more information about CSU’s Diploma of Language and Culture or to apply, visit: **www.csu.edu.au/courses/diploma-of-language-and-culture**

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