

Institution Flinders University

Country Australia

Website http://www.flinders.edu.au

Year founded 1966

Number of UG Students 15,567

Number of PG Students 9,257

Number of International

Students

4,259

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I. INTRODUCTION/OVERVIEW

Flinders University is located in the foothills of Adelaide, South Australia, one of Lonely Planet's Top 10 cities of the world. With a population of 1.23 million, Adelaide is one of Australia's most livable cities and a great place to study.

Adelaide enjoys a relaxed, easy-going lifestyle and combines affordability with a high standard of living. It is consistently ranked as a more affordable city than Melbourne,



Sydney, Brisbane or Perth, and has also been acknowledged as Australia's safest city.

South Australia is famous for its world renowned festivals and events; food and wine regions; popular metropolitan beaches and its Mediterranean climate. It enjoys long, hot summers with more than 2,500 hours of sunshine a year and cool to cold, snowless winters.

Established in 1966, Flinders University offers a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses in 14 schools across four faculties and enjoys a well-justified reputation for its excellence in teaching and research. Flinders ranks in the top 400 universities in the Academic Ranking of World Universities (2014), placing it in the top 3% of Universities globally.

Flinders is a truly multicultural university with a diverse number of cultures represented on campus. It has a long-standing commitment to enhancing educational opportunities for all and a proud record of community engagement. Flinders has strong links with international universities and research institutions across Asia. Europe and North and South America.

II. MISSION, VISION, VALUES STATEMENTS

Vison statement:

We are a leading international university distinguished by our boldness, vigour and imagination. We are environmentally astute, engaged with the communities we serve and dynamically connected to the wider world.

Values statement:

At all levels of the University, we commit to the following values:

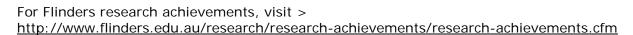
- rigorous intellectual enquiry;
- fairness, integrity and respect for others;
- equity and diversity;
- collaboration and teamwork;
- environmental sustainability; and
- respect for and recognition of Indigenous perspectives.

III. RESEARCH

Flinders University is renowned for world-class research and innovation that is relevant, of high quality, and has real impact.

Flinders areas of research strength operate across a range of disciplines, broadly housed under five research themes. These themes each contain a number of research clusters, institutes and centres.

- Biomedical and clinical sciences
- Culture, policy and society
- Health and human behaviour
- Molecular science and technology
- Water and environment





Faculty of Education, Humanities and Law

- School of Education
- School of Humanities and Creative Arts
- Flinders Law School
- Bachelor of Arts Office

Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences

- School of Nursing and Midwifery
- School of Health Sciences
- School of Medicine



Faculty of Science and Engineering

- School of Biological Sciences
- School of Chemical and Physical Sciences
- School of Computer Science, Engineering and Mathematics
- School of the Environment
- Flinders Centre for Science Education in the 21st Century

Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences

- Flinders Business School
- School of International Studies
- School of Psychology
- School of Social and Policy Studies
- National Institute of Labour Studies

V. LANGUAGES IN WHICH CLASSES ARE OFFERED English

VI. WORK PLACEMENTS OFFERED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Many Flinders degrees provide students with the opportunity to undertake work experience and industry initiatives while studying. Through work placements, students spend part of their study time with industry, applying their new knowledge and testing themselves in real-world

Flinders has strong relationships with numerous industry partners, ensuring that graduates have practical experience that meets employer's expectations.

VII. STRATEGIC PLAN

The Flinders Strategic Plan affirms the University's ongoing commitment to change and transformation. At the centre of the plan is a vision for Flinders as a medium-sized university characterised by a distinctive high quality undergraduate program, selected postgraduate coursework programs and focused research excellence. Flinders has nine Key Strategic Priorities for 2012-2016:

- 1. Building Supportive Communities
- 2. Enhancing Educational Opportunities
- 3. Enhancing the Student Experience
- 4. Valuing Quality in Teaching
- 5. Focusing Research
- 6. Strengthening Internationalisation
- 7. Valuing Our People
- 8. Committing To Environmental Excellence
- 9. Improving Our Capacity to Deliver

The complete strategic plan is available on the Flinders University website: http://www.flinders.edu.au/about_flinders_files/Documents/web_StrategicPlan_27Sept2
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VIII. INTERNATIONALISATION STRATEGY

Strengthening Internationalisation is priority in the Flinders University Strategic Plan. The plan states Flinders University will:

- Be globally connected by expanding opportunities and benefits for students, staff and our communities to engage in the global society
- Develop sustainable partnerships with targeted partners to expand opportunities and benefits for students, staff and our communities
- Strengthen links to culture and language through engagement with local 'international communities'
- Increase international opportunities for students including through online learning and outward student mobility
- Support development of the Flinders International Study Centre (FISC)
- Intensify and focus our Asia engagement including specified education, research and community partnerships and measures
- Ensure Flinders continues to provide an exemplary student experience and maintain its excellent ISB rankings

IX. INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS



Flinders is renowned for strong international links with universities and research institutions across Asia, Europe and North and South America. Flinders is a member of the International Network of Universities (INU) and a founding member of Innovative Research Universities (IRU). In addition to offering programs in Australia, Flinders also teaches programs in a number of countries including China, Malaysia, Hong Kong and Singapore.

Interaction with overseas institutions is encouraged at Flinders. The University has developed links with universities, colleges and research institutions around the world to provide opportunities for students and staff exchanges, and to undertake joint research and teaching programs. Click here for the full list, visit: http://www.flinders.edu.au/international-partners_home.cfm