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The University of Adelaide's

INTERNATIONAL PLAN

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THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Adelaide is ranked in the top 1% of universities worldwide and located in the heart of the world's 10th most liveable city. We offer a rare combination of elite academic performance and exceptional quality of life.

The University is home to over 28,000 students and 3,600 staff. Our student body reflects our diverse international community, with 30% of our students coming from over 100 countries around the globe.

Established in 1874, we are Australia's third oldest university and regarded as Australia's cradle for Nobel Prize winners, being associated with one third of the country's Nobel laureates. But while our heritage is rich with accomplishment, our focus remains firmly on making history in the future.

Our 1,700 research academics and 2,300 research students work to find innovative solutions to world problems and industry challenges. Key areas of strength include agriculture, food and wine, defence and security, med-tech and health, environment and sustainability, mining and energy, and society, culture and the economy.

University Strategy

The University of Adelaide's strategic plan, Future Making, will shape our trajectory through to 2024—our 150th year—and beyond.

Future Making contains five pillars of excellence that define the University's strategic direction:

- Connected to the Global World of Ideas
- A Magnet for Talent
- Research that Shapes the Future
- A 21st Century Education for a Growing Community of Learners
- The Beating Heart of Adelaide.

Future Making also embraces five industry engagement priorities to ensure our world-class expertise is helping meet the future social, economic and technological development needs of South Australia and our nation.

It aligns the University's global connectivity, world-class research and education, and our development of human potential, with our community's social, intellectual and economic needs.

THE UNIVERSITY'S INTERNATIONAL PLAN

The 'Connected to the Global World of Ideas' pillar of excellence builds on the University's inherent character as a truly global institution.

The University's International Plan outlines the path to deepen this global connectivity for the benefit of our community: our world-class researchers, students, alumni and—through them—our home state of South Australia.

Our International Plan provides a framework to fulfil Future Making's international ambitions, including a series of country and thematic strategies which will drive our global engagement forward.

As we work towards our 150th anniversary in 2024, our International Plan will ensure we remain truly 'Connected to the Global World of Ideas' as we embark on our next 150 years of discovery, excellence and impact.

The University's International Plan comprises:

- Partnering with the world's best
- A culturally diverse student body
- A culture geared for a global future
- Connected international alumni

**WE HAVE MORE THAN
140,000 ALUMNI FORMING
AN INTERNATIONAL NETWORK
ACROSS 130 COUNTRIES**



**INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS
COMPRISE**

**30%
OF OUR STUDENT
POPULATION**



We partner with many of the world's prestigious higher education institutions and leading research centres, firms and government agencies for improved research impact and translation



Our staff profile is among the most diverse in the Australian higher education sector, with half of our staff born overseas or holding dual citizenships



Over 55% of our publications involve an international collaborator, most frequently from the US, China or Europe



PARTNERING WITH THE WORLD'S BEST

The University of Adelaide has collaborators and partnerships in all corners of the globe. By working together, we meet challenges that alone we could not surmount.

Over the next four years we will enhance our existing partnerships and develop new ones in areas of critical importance to the University and our nation.

These global partnerships will ensure our best researchers and students engage with the world's best; they will allow for the free flow of people and ideas, and provide the scale required to address the most pressing global challenges.

We will focus our international research partnership development in the following priority areas:

- Defence, Cyber and Space
- AgriFood and Wine
- Health and Biotech
- Mineral and Energy Resources
- Creativity and Culture.

Outcomes will include:

- new international partnerships founded on research and teaching priorities
- additional joint Higher Degree by Research programs with world-leading universities, accompanied by more international students in priority areas
- enhanced multilateral alliances.

Joint PhD with University of Nottingham

The University of Adelaide and University of Nottingham (UK) offer a popular joint PhD program, with doctoral scholars primarily based on the Waite and Sutton Bonington campuses respectively. The program began in 2015 in the area of Biosciences (School of Agriculture, Food and Wine), and in 2019 grew to accommodate students across all faculties from both universities. Building on this success, further initiatives are now being developed involving Nottingham's China and Malaysia campuses.

Fertiliser

The University's Fertiliser Technology Research Centre has a 14-year partnership with US-based The Mosaic Company, the world's largest provider of potash and phosphate fertilisers. The partnership has supported the University to significantly expand its capabilities and equipment for fertiliser formulation and evaluation, while providing immeasurable value to The Mosaic Company and the growers that depend on their products to increase yields.

Dassault Systèmes

The University has developed a close partnership with French 3D experience company Dassault Systèmes. Dassault Systèmes' South Australian Regional Centre is co-located on the University's North Terrace campus, and a multifaceted strategic partnership supports innovative collaboration in both cutting-edge research and education.





A CULTURALLY DIVERSE STUDENT BODY

International students are central to the University's international engagement and, despite the challenges of COVID-19, will continue to be in coming years.

A diverse cohort of well-supported and successful international students enhances learning outcomes for all students, bringing global connections and perspectives directly into our on-campus teaching and social spaces. As engaged alumni, they keep us connected beyond our borders.

Furthermore, our international students have a significant and positive impact on the city of Adelaide. Their dynamism adds vibrancy to our community and brings economic opportunity to South Australia.

Over the next four years we will continue to attract the best students from around the world with our high-quality education, as well as provide pathways for more students from more countries to come to Adelaide. We will also build large-scale education partnerships with leading global universities, to provide more students with the opportunity to have a University of Adelaide education experience in their home countries.

To enable this, we will:

- provide a range of targeted scholarships to attract the best students
- further diversify our international student cohort
- build our partnerships with institutions and sponsors to increase access to our programs
- develop new programs, products and modes of delivery to reach more students in more places.

Outcomes will include:

- an expanded cohort of students from overseas, more representative of the world's cultures
- transformational education partnerships that attract many more international students to Adelaide
- a resilient network of global education partners
- delivery of more University programs offshore.

Haide College

Based in Qingdao, Haide College is a joint education institute of the University of Adelaide and Ocean University of China. Delivering comprehensive joint degrees in mathematics, biotechnology and food science and engineering, the College provides students access to a global education with a deeper, more nuanced understanding of their disciplines, better intercultural communication skills, and international connections that will facilitate their future careers.



A man with short dark hair, wearing a dark blue sweater and safety glasses, is focused on a task. He is holding a tool, possibly a drill or a screwdriver, and is working on a piece of machinery. The background is dark and out of focus, with some mechanical parts visible on the left.

A CULTURE GEARED FOR A GLOBAL FUTURE

Global IQ Connect

The Global IQ Connect program brings international and domestic students together to share and learn from their diverse cultural and professional backgrounds. Over five weeks of face-to-face and online activities, including cultural workshops, intercultural experiences and reflection, students grow their cultural knowledge and develop intercultural communication skills applicable to any workplace or society.

Study Tour – Estonia

The Digital Security StudyTour immerses students in the digital society of Estonia, now a powerhouse in digital government and operational cyber security. Students have the opportunity to participate in active cyber security exercises, meet with senior government officials and leading cyber security research and development teams in the private sector, as well as develop written and oral research communication skills.

The University of Adelaide's globally linked community places us at the leading edge of South Australia's international engagement and development as a dynamic cosmopolitan state.

We will continue to nurture our cosmopolitan culture; one that embraces diversity, provides internationalised learning experiences—both at home and abroad—and prepares our people to be active global citizens.

Over the next four years, as travel restrictions lift, we will strengthen our international partnerships to reinvigorate our nation-leading overseas study programs, including:

- larger-scale exchange partnerships
- more short-term study tours
- innovative internships.

We will embed overseas study opportunities and global learning in all degrees, as well as provide greater opportunities for on-campus intercultural experience and engagement.

Digital technologies and other innovative education strategies will play a critical role, giving all students the chance to enjoy global learning experiences regardless of whether or not they can travel.

The benefits of this will be:

- more University of Adelaide students choosing to study abroad during their degrees
- international students having rich experiences of Australian culture, while enriching our community with theirs
- an even more internationalised curriculum, drawing on our global partners' expertise.



CONNECTED INTERNATIONAL ALUMNI

Our alumni demonstrate to the world our educational quality and many maintain a great passion for the University throughout their lives. Strong, multifaceted connections with our international alumni strengthen all aspects of our global endeavour.

Over the next four years, we will build stronger relationships with our international alumni by offering more opportunities to remain engaged with our global community, including:

- new networks of international alumni to add to our existing global networks
- student mentoring and employability programs that draw on international alumni's experience and insights
- lifelong learning and professional development opportunities for alumni
- more chances to participate in the University's intellectual life, both virtually and in their home countries.

Positive outcomes will include:

- increased engagement with our international alumni network
- more international alumni taking up further education programs after graduation
- increased participation of international alumni in public lectures, forums and events
- our international alumni engaged with, or returning to Adelaide for, our 150th anniversary celebrations in 2024.

Employability for international students

The University's international alumni are supporting international students in a series of webinars, and mentoring and internship programs, all aimed at supporting employability. Experienced alumni share their knowledge about navigating life and careers post-graduation, giving current international students a critical boost as they embark on their own global journeys.



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