

Purpose

- 1. This policy sets out the principles that will be applied to outbound international student mobility activities.
- 2. This policy is to be read in conjunction with the <u>Student Mobility Procedure</u>.

Scope

3. This policy applies to outbound international student mobility activities managed by UniSA.

Exclusions

4. The policy does not apply to research degree students or students enrolled in off-shore programs.

Responsibilities

- 5. Academic Board is the approving authority for this policy.
- 6. The Pro Vice Chancellor: International is responsible for organisation-wide adherence to this policy.
- 7. All University students, staff and representatives are expected to comply with the provisions of this policy and with all associated procedures and guidelines.

Policy Principles

- 8. UniSA is a globally focussed institution which values international engagement and is committed to offering students a range of international mobility programs to support their development as global citizens.
- 9. The operation of a student mobility program is at the discretion of the University. The University may decide, based on any internal or external factors, to cancel or vary the parameters of the program at any time.
- 10. The safety of students is of paramount concern to the University. The University will establish appropriate requirements and processes to ensure that risks associated with international student mobility are well managed.
- 11. A mobility experience will only be considered to be a UniSA student mobility activity if it has been approved by UniSA International (UI) and the relevant Academic Unit.
- 12. Students participating in a student mobility program remain subject to UniSA statutes, by-laws, codes, policies, procedures and rules, including the <u>Code of Conduct for Students</u>, and must formally agree to specified terms and conditions prior to departure. Failure to comply with all requirements may lead to eligibility to participate in the program being withdrawn and disciplinary action being taken.
- 13. The University's mobility programs will provide learning outcomes for students that contribute to the achievement of UniSA Graduate Qualities.

- 14. A student mobility program must contribute to the requirements of a student's UniSA award program, either as:
 - exemption from specified components of a course, or
 - a minimum of 4.5 units of course credit, or
 - a mandatory program requirement

Definitions

Student mobility is defined as an international study-related experience, usually involving travel, which has academic recognition. A student mobility experience may be undertaken virtually, that is, without physical travel but with real engagement with an international host location. Student mobility programs for UniSA students are either exchange or non-exchange opportunities.

Exchange

Exchange programs are formal reciprocal agreements that enable students from UniSA and an approved partner to exchange places for a short period for recognition towards their degree. Exchange programs are either semester or short-term opportunities. Exchange students remain enrolled at UniSA and continue to pay student contribution amounts or fees to UniSA. They do not pay tuition fees to the partner institution.

Non-Exchange

Study Tour

A study tour is an international study program for a group of students travelling under the direction of a UniSA staff member(s) who usually accompanies the students abroad.

Other Non-Exchange

The term refers to a wide range of short-term mobility opportunities, often offered through a Mobility Experience Provider.

Associated Documentation

Student Mobility Procedure

Code of Conduct for Students

- Officer Responsible for Update and Review: Registrar and Director: Student and Academic Services
- Approving Authority: Academic Board
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