

Sri Lanka Study Tour 2020 Undergraduate & Postgraduate UniSA Business Students

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Why Choose a study tour with UniSA ?

- Once-in-a-lifetime experience
- Experience a new culture & language
- Develop your independent learning skills
- Build international networks & make new friends
- Increase your emotional intelligence & build resilience
- Enhance your career prospects & employability





.... develop employability skills that will set your CV above the rest

- goal setting
- problem solving skills
- adaptability
- creative thinking
- language skills
- cross cultural communication skills
- networking skills
- entrepreneurship skills

- social responsibility
- global awareness
- independence
- self-confidence
- resilience
- tolerance for diversity
- open-mindedness
- empathy



Student Expectations & Responsibilities

- We expect all students to represent the university in a professional manner (e.g. dress appropriately & respect fellow students /staff & networks)
- Students must understand a study tour is an academic tour & not a "Contiki" tour or holiday opportunity
- The tour itinerary is intensive for 2 weeks with daily activities plus study time at night for assignments
- All activities in the study tour itinerary are compulsory e.g. non-attendance due to too much partying will not be tolerated
- If the UniSA code of conduct is breached by a student whilst on tour, they will be sent home



Sri Lanka: About the Tour

The tour will run for 2 weeks in Sri Lanka – Dates to be confirmed*

*subject to Travel ban being lifted & rescheduling of 2020 study tours

The study tour focus: Management, Commerce, International Business

Academic Tour leader: Professor Carol Tilt

Study Tour Officer: Caron-Anne Ravno





What this means for your program?

Successful students will be enrolled by the Mobility team into :

- BUSS 2070 Undergraduate
- BUSS 5411 Postgraduate

Undergraduate:

• This study tour can be taken in place of BUSS 1057 Business & Society or an elective for UG students with program director approval

Postgraduate:

• This study tour can be taken in place as an elective for with program director approval





Assessment

Compulsory for all students :

(UniSA Online students will be provided with information via a lecture recording)

- Attendance & participation in pre & post departure sessions & the study tour
- 2. Reflective Journal
- 3. Individual Report

Course Coordinator: Professor Carol Tilt





About the Tour

- A strong cultural awareness program for students to learn about influences on business and society.
- Introduction to Sri Lanka & Asian business practices from Australian High Commission in Colombo
- Gain an understanding of the business & technological capability of Sri Lanka combined with the ancient culture.
- Visiting Colombo, Galle and Kandy
- Stay in twin share accommodation in 4 star hotels , all with en-suite bathrooms





Key Highlights

- Guest lectures & campus tour at Wisdom Business College
- Networking with Industry officials & Wisdom Business College
- Info Session with the Australian High Commission
- Industry site visits to Unilever & Traditional Tea production company & plantation
- Walking tour of Colombo
- Day tour to Galle incl. Fort & Kosgoda Sea Turtle conservation & research project
- Guided overnight tour to Sigiriya Rock, Kandy incl. visit to Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage
- Free time to study and do some exploring on your own





Study Tour Photo Gallery



Colombo city tour



Pettah markets



Sigiriya Rock

Asian Elephants

Kosgoda Turtle hatchery





People & culture



What we will organise for you...

The Study Tour officer administers all travel & logistics for the study tour :

- Flights
- Accommodation (twin share rooms)
- Itinerary
- In-country transportation for all itinerary activities (private coach)
- Travel grant applications
- Enrolment into the course
- 2 X compulsory pre –departure briefing sessions & a study tour feedback session upon your return





What you will need to organise...

You will need to organise any incidentals, these costs are in addition to the study tour fee:

Vaccinations: The Centre for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organisation recommend the following vaccinations for Sri Lanka: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, cholera, yellow fever, Japanese encephalitis, rabies, polio *

Visa: ETA Online Tourist visa. Australian Citizens (approx. USD 30) and UniSA may assist with this process

OS HELP Loan: if you fulfil the requirements you will need to apply independently (please see eligibility criteria on slide 18)

* **Please note:** vaccinations are the students responsibility & left up to the individual to organise prior to departure





Study Tour Costs

We try to keep costs down for students as much as possible but as you can imagine you are studying a course in an international location which means there are additional costs:

Costs	Estimated Amount
Fees for one 4.5 units course in your program	Depending on what program you are in : UG / PG
Study Tour fee – flights, accommodation, transportation. 2 week itinerary (cultural & sightseeing), industry & academic visits	This fee is estimated between \$3,500 to \$4,500 * * Study tour final fee is estimated & subject to change until final confirmation
Spending money – meals, personal entertainment, transportation (e.g. taxi's) – this depends on your spending habits	\$50-\$100 AUD per day as a guide
Incidentals – vaccinations, visa etc	See previous slides



Funding available!!

UniSA & OS HELP offers monetary options to help support the cost of travel expenses and associated fees (*subject to criteria on slide 18). Each student may be eligible to receive:

UniSA Business Travel Grant *	UniSA International Travel Grant *	OS Help Loan (UG Aust Citizens completed 1 st year eligible only)	Total
\$1,000	\$1,000	Up to \$8,295	Up to \$10,295

The funding above goes towards the overall study tour fee. We estimate that each student will also need to contribute personal money of between \$1,500 to \$2,000 after the grants are deducted.

Please note to secure your place on the study tour you will be required to pay a \$1,000 deposit upfront, this will be deducted from your overall study tour fee amount

The funding listed above is a guide of what is available for students – UniSA Business and UniSA International Travel grants (criteria applies)



Study Tour Eligibility Criteria

- A GPA of 4.0 or above
- No more than 2 course fail grades in your current program
- At least one free elective in your current program
- Program director approval to undertake 4.5 unit study tour in your program
- A current valid passport for travel
- Students must be 18 years of age or older



What if I am an UniSA Online Student?

As per UniSA Study Tour Policy students must travel and return together as a group on the aforementioned tour dates.

We run pre-departure workshops which will be compulsory to be completed via skype or phone meeting.

How this will work for you?

If you are an UniSA Online accepted student on the study tour – you will book your own flights and send us the flight itinerary for risk and insurance purposes. Then the cost of the group flight booked at UniSA will be deducted from your overall study tour fee.

You may choose to attend the on campus pre-departure session or fly with the group return from Adelaide , however the additional expenses of travel between Adelaide and your home destination will be your responsibility.



Travel Grant Eligibility Criteria

- No more than 9.0 unit fails in your current programs (2 courses)
- Program director approval
- One elective free in your program
- Minimum GPA of 4.0 (this can be waived if in your first study periods at UniSA)

Additional OS HELP LOAN eligibility criteria:

- Student must be an Australian Citizen
- Student must be enrolled in a commonwealth supported undergraduate program at UniSA e.g. eligible for HECS HELP
- Student must have completed 36 units in the current program (conditional offers can be made on minimum unit condition)
- Students must have one course (4.5 units) to return to at UniSA after their participation in the study tour



How to Apply

Please submit by email a 300 - 500 word application statement of why you would like to go on the study tour, what you hope to gain both professionally and personally from the tour and how this tour will contribute to your overall career aspirations.

Please include: your student ID, program code, program name Send your statement to: <u>business.mobility@unisa.edu.au</u> with the email subject line of the study tour: **SRI LANKA Study Tour Application**

Due by COB Friday 7th August 2020

Apply now as places are limited for this tour, please email your statement to ensure that you do not miss out!



