<u>Victoria University</u> <u>Melbourne, Australia</u>

Established in: 1991 (preceding institutions date back to 1916) Number of students enrolled: Over 40,000 Website for incoming exchange students: vu.edu.au/study-at-vu/study-abroad-exchange-in-melbourne

Attractiveness of the country and city your university is located in:

Choose <u>Melbourne</u> for your semester abroad - a vibrant, multicultural city of over 4 million people and more than 140 languages spoken. Melbourne is consistently voted as one of the world's most liveable cities. It has an excellent public transport system and a wide range of cultural and sporting events all year round. A short drive away are gorgeous beaches, forests and mountain ranges. Watch this video to <u>Discover Footscray</u> where VU's flagship campus is located.

The strengths of academics at your university:

VU is a world class university which ranked in the world's top 2% of universities worldwide (*Times Higher Education* World University Rankings 2018, 2019 and 2020). VU is the first university in Australia to introduce the <u>Block Model</u>, building on the proven successes of block programs at universities in Sweden, Canada and the US. Students study one subject every four weeks, rather than the traditional form of university teaching in which multiple units are delivered at the same time.

Available student life support during the exchange:

VU offers a range of programs and activities to help students make new friends, experience the Australian lifestyle and feel included in the community. Students will be offered opportunities to attend orientation events, join one or more of the 60 student clubs and groups including International Student Association, receive a range of student support services, enjoy health and fitness facilities, and apply for university accommodation at UniLodge Victoria University.

Opportunity of interaction with other students:

VU is <u>a welcoming community</u>. Experience a diverse range of cultures, religions and languages at VU. Students share classes, conversations and friendships with students from over 175 different countries. VU won the Victorian Government's <u>Multicultural Business Award</u> in 2018 for the outstanding service to multicultural communities.

