

SIA LIFECYCLE

This SIA Lifecycle is a detailed 12 step-by-step guide of what your journey to Australia with us will entail.

◆ Step 1: Career Counselling

This step involves the analysis of the student's interests, career ambitions and past educational & professional experience.

We listen to you and assess your preferences. Our admissions consultants- specialized in profile analysis- will assist you in shortlisting options that are a perfect fit for you based on your educational history and career goals.

1. We build your profile highlighting your strengths and skills
2. Diagram a plan that matches your goals
3. Find colleges that provide the course you require -Be selective about where you want to study, because the number of colleges to which you can apply in some states is limited,
4. Shortlist those that match your affordances
5. Help you reach for the stars.

◆ Step 2: Matching & choosing relevant courses and universities

Progress takes place outside your comfort zone.

In this step, we make sure that

1. You achieve the minimum eligibility for the chosen courses if already not eligible
2. Help you apply for IELTS/PTE English test which is mandatory for every course.

3. We can also train /coach you to clear the English language proficiency exam if requested.

4. IELTS Score

- When it comes to IELTS scores, you'll need a minimum of 5.5. This is a government prerequisite for a visa.
- The minimum prerequisite is reduced for candidates who wish to combine their studies with an English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students (ELICOS).
- A minimum IELTS score of 6.0-6.5 is required for an undergraduate course. Even then, if your score is below 7.0, you will be required to take a diagnostic language test upon enrollment.
- The minimum threshold for postgraduate courses has been raised to 7.0. This is subject to substantial adjustment depending on which MA or PHD program you wish to follow.

5. Four simple steps to ace the IELTS test

- Familiarize with the IELTS test format
- Sample tests are key
- Get Official IELTS Practice Materials from the local testing centre
- A Preparation course can make you much more confident

◆ Step 3: Apply for the courses chosen

The application process will take a long time, so the sooner you apply, the better.

1. An incomplete application is a mistake you never want to make, so carefully arrange your documents according to the Document checklist.
 2. The Document Checklist is regularly updated. You can always use the Document Checklist Tool provided on the government website.
 3. We tailor-make your application to meet the requirements of the course being applied for including a professionally written SOP. An SOP is a genuine Statement of Purpose, and this makes for half of your application process.
 4. You will have an Interview conducted in person/via Skype/Google Hangout by a University representative who will report back to the admissions team at the university.
 5. In your interview, the goal is to focus on your academic goals and interests in life.
 6. We then have to get your documents verified
 - You'll need to provide official academic transcripts from all qualifications undertaken. The transcripts must be printed on the official paper/letterhead of the institution and be certified copies
 - Request for the transcript(s) as soon as possible; certain institutions may require additional time to provide official transcripts
 - Documents that have been translated must bear the official NAATI seal, which indicates the degree of accreditation and the direction in which the translator is accredited to translate.
 - You must include a statement of service on the employer's official stationery. (if employed)
 - If you have previously studied under a different name, you must provide documentary proof of your name change, such as a marriage certificate
4. You can submit the relevant documentation along with your application via the online admissions system. Pay your application fee and wait.

◆ Step 4: Receive Offer Letter from providers

After receiving your Offer Letter and you will get it - Celebrate! and choose the best from the lot.

- A 'Letter of Offer' will be sent to you if your application is successful. You must respond to this letter by signing and returning an acceptance of the offer to the institution to validate your offer. This is normally done by mail, but it can also be done by scanning and emailing the letter.

◆ Step 5: Confirm Enrolment with the chosen course/provider

1. Apply for an educational loan (if required)
2. Pay term fees to the provider
3. Receive a confirmed letter of enrolment from the provider
4. You must meet the conditions mentioned in the Letter of Offer for the institution to issue a Confirmation of Enrolment. You will receive an Electronic Confirmation of Enrolment by email after you have signed your Offer and paid your deposit. This will include the start date of your course, the total course fees, and the duration of your course. Your university will give you an admissions package that constitutes information to assist you in planning your trip to Australia.

◆ Step 6: Apply for Student Visa

This is the most important and complex step of all

1. Prepare GTE document

A GTE Form is proof that the applicant has met the temporary entrant criterion for a student visa. To apply for a Student Visa, the applicant must demonstrate that he or she has a genuine intention to live in Australia temporarily for academic purposes only.

2. It is a requirement of your visa that you have adequate health care for the length of your stay in Australia. You must purchase an Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) and keep your insurance updated while in Australia on a student visa.

3. Arrange funds to fund your stay in Australia

Applicants are expected to have access to a full year's tuition fees. They are also required to provide financial evidence that they have enough funds to remain in Australia and to cover return airfare.

4. Organise health assessment

5. Pay visa application charges and lodge student visa application

- Apply for your visa at least 6 weeks before the start of your course.
- If you are in Australia, you will need extra time in the event of any complication, so allow plenty of time before your new visa expires.

6. After you apply, you must complete the following tasks via ImmiAccount:

- Provide Biometrics
- Arrange health examinations and medical referral letters
- Produce additional information required

After the student receives the student visa,

◆ Step 7: Attend SIA pre-departure session

A new page, a new chapter.

Got that new orange page with kangaroos in your passport?

Alright mate, Let's get you prepped for the new adventure that awaits you. Attend the SIA pre-departure session.

◆ Step 8: Things to do

Organise important items to get started when you reach Australia
Preparation is key, and none of our constituents leaves unprepared.

- Book Flight tickets
- Book temporary accommodation
- Get an Australian sim card
- Open an Australian bank account
- Book airport pickup and drop to accommodation
- Organise travel card and travel insurance (if required)
- Exchange some rupees to Australian dollars just in case and/or, transfer money to your Australian bank account

◆ Step 9: Once you arrive in Australia

If you've chosen our service to transport you to your temporary accommodation, you will meet your driver at the airport on time. Right after you get settled in, you can attend the SIA welcome session and meet your mentor. Later, attend your University orientation and relish the centre of your stepping stone to victory.

1. Attend SIA welcome session (Get assigned a mentor)
2. Attend university orientation
3. Explore Australia before your university starts
4. Get a travel card (Myki) / hire cars or bikes / buy a vehicle for transport

◆ Step 10: Choose permanent accommodation

Home is a feeling.

The SIA app allows you to shortlist properties and schedule inspections. With the help of filters, the app can find you the best match. Move into your new Home and organize utilities like electricity, water, gas, and the internet. You can also arrange for homely meals if you crave them.

1. Shortlist properties and schedule inspections
2. Move into your new place
3. Organise Utilities (Electricity, Gas, Water and Internet)
4. Arrange meals (if required)

◆ Step 11: Get a part-time/casual job

Work to become.

After you've got a hold on your course work schedule and like to earn

1. You can attend the SIA job consulting session
2. Resume and Cover Letter prepared
3. Match relevant jobs & get hired - we can assist you in finding job opportunities that match your interest profile.
4. Get a tfn number (Abn too if required) - A TFN number is essential if you start working in Australia. Now, if you incline more towards the entrepreneurial side - we can help you with the ABN number as well.

◆ Step 12: The best for the best

Take advantage of SIA student discounts/promotions on anything you may need during your stay in Australia.

- Books and other resources
- Get courses/learning materials at subsidised rates
- Get access to software/applications
- Subscriptions for personal wellness
- Deals for fashion and clothing needs
- Use Forex services to send money back home
- Book flight tickets to go back home
- Travel Australia
- Book hotels, car hire, packages, etc