

Peninsula campus

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Welcome to the Peninsula campus

The campus

Monash University's Peninsula campus is the third largest of the university's metropolitan campuses and caters to approximately 3500 students undertaking undergraduate and postgraduate courses in a range of study areas.

While the Peninsula campus may be considered small, it offers not only the prestige associated with the university's Group of Eight* status, but also a friendly, relaxed environment and lifestyle. Peninsula students find that a smaller campus provides them with the opportunity to study at a location away from the hustle and bustle of city life but one that is also easily accessible to Melbourne's city centre.

The campus is located in the bayside suburb of Frankston, about 40 km – or a 50-minute drive – south of Melbourne's CBD. Considered the gateway to the beautiful Mornington Peninsula, Frankston offers its residents access to beaches, national parks, wineries and restaurants.

There are frequent train services from Melbourne's city centre to Frankston, which connect with buses that service the campus. An intercampus shuttle bus service also operates between the Peninsula and Clayton campuses and between the Peninsula and Berwick campuses on weekdays during semester and examination periods.

Peninsula campus is about a 15-minute walk from the train station and the centre

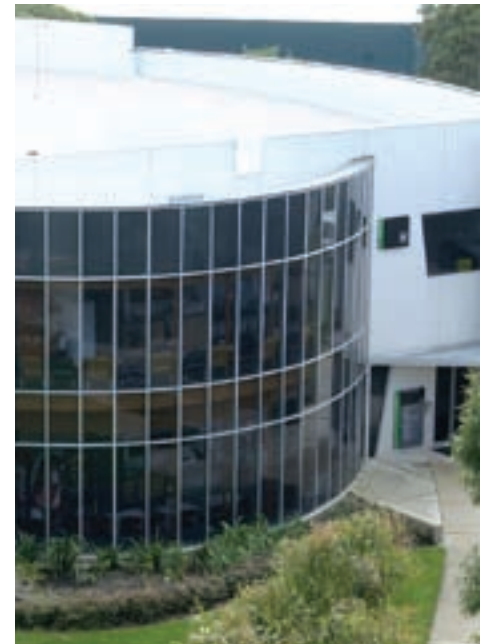
of Frankston, which offers all the benefits of city living including a multi-storey shopping centre, major department stores, nightclubs, cafes, cinemas and a cultural centre.

The campus is steeped in history dating back more than 100 years, when its original building – Struan House – was built as a farm homestead. Its first incarnation as an educational institution came in 1957, when it was established as the Frankston Teachers' College to train Victoria's primary teachers. The first intake of 109 students was taught entirely out of the single original building, which has been maintained as a feature of the campus and currently houses the Postgraduate Centre and Business Lounge.

Today, the campus continues to offer studies in early childhood and primary education, as well as in a range of other disciplines including business and economics, health science/social work, nursing, midwifery, emergency health, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, psychology, and sport and outdoor recreation. Many Peninsula students are also often able to undertake part of their studies on other Monash campuses.

* The Group of Eight (Go8) represents Australia's leading universities





The courses

The Peninsula campus offers undergraduate and postgraduate programs in the following areas.

Faculty of Business and Economics

The Faculty of Business and Economics at Peninsula offers the Bachelor of Business and Commerce with a range of major study areas including accounting, international business, management, marketing, human resource management and sport management.

It also partners with the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences to offer a three-year degree with double majors in business and psychology. Double-degree programs are also offered with a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Sport and Outdoor Recreation.

Graduate and postgraduate opportunities are available via masters and PhD programs.

Faculty of Education

The Faculty of Education at Peninsula campus continues to meet the increasing demand for highly qualified and professional teachers via the Bachelor of Early Childhood

Education, the Bachelor of Early Childhood Studies and the Bachelor of Primary Education. It also offers the Bachelor of Sport and Outdoor Recreation. These courses are also available in a variety of double-degree options.

The one-year Early Childhood Education and Primary Education graduate diplomas are also highly regarded and in great demand.

Those looking to further extend their professional expertise can undertake masters or PhD studies at the campus.

Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences

The Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences has two dedicated schools based at the Peninsula campus – the School of Primary Health Care and the School of Nursing and Midwifery.

The **School of Primary Health Care** has four of its six departments based at the campus, all offering undergraduate programs as well as opportunities for study at postgraduate and PhD levels.

The **Department of Community Emergency Health and Paramedic Practice** offers undergraduate and postgraduate courses to students currently working in, or planning to work in, ambulance and community-based emergency health settings. These include the Bachelor of Emergency Health (Paramedic) and the Graduate Diploma of MICA Paramedic Studies, along with masters and PhD programs and a range of short courses.

The **Department of Health Science** provides undergraduate courses to students wishing to pursue careers in health services.

Current programs include the three-year Bachelor of Health Science with major study options in health promotion, health

industry/hospital management and health informatics; and the four-year Bachelor of Health Science/Bachelor of Social Work double degree for those wishing to pursue careers in social work, health promotion or community development.

The **Department of Occupational Therapy** provides undergraduate and postgraduate courses to students seeking employment in hospital and community health settings.

The four-year Bachelor of Occupational Therapy course trains health professionals to help people of all ages with physical, mental and/or social challenges to participate in the activities of everyday life.

The **Department of Physiotherapy** offers the four-year Bachelor of Physiotherapy and Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) courses. These are structured around patient-centred learning and prepare students to work in the full range of service provision settings.

The course develops students' skills through small group learning environments and clinical education in the later years of the program

The **School of Nursing and Midwifery** offers the three-year Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Midwifery degrees, as well as the four-year Bachelor of Nursing (Psychological Studies) and Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Emergency Health (Paramedic).

With a 100 per cent employment rate for graduates, the school is recognised for the quality of its teaching and high standard of clinical experience. A range of graduate diploma programs in specialist nursing areas is also available, along with opportunities for masters and PhD studies.





The research

The Peninsula campus offers a range of exciting research opportunities for those students wishing to advance their educational or career outcomes.

In addition to graduate programs, the campus provides a supportive learning environment for more than 100 higher degree by research students undertaking courses at both masters and PhD levels.

The research focus at the campus is increasingly centred towards health and wellbeing. This is further enhanced by the combined research strengths and expertise of the growing academic population on campus, providing a strong interdisciplinary focus for those interested in undertaking research programs at Peninsula.

A collaborative environment is fostered at the Peninsula campus that allows for a range of opportunities not only within the campus and university environment but also on a local, national and international level.

Postgraduate students have access to the Postgraduate Centre located in Struan House, which offers access to a range of facilities including:

- computer and printing facilities
- desktop support
- wireless network
- seminar/meeting room
- student lounge
- kitchen facilities
- lockers

The services

Peninsula campus is small enough to offer a personalised learning experience but large enough to provide the full range of services required to help students make the most of their time at university.

Peninsula students enjoy a friendly environment, a close relationship with staff, small class sizes and easy access to student support services. The campus also provides state-of-the-art facilities, including high-tech lecture theatres, and a range of campus amenities that enhance students' overall learning experience.

Academic support services

The campus offers a range of services to support students in their academic endeavours.

The Peninsula Library, staffed by knowledgeable subject librarians, has particular strengths in business, early childhood education, nursing, emergency health and health sciences. Education students can also make use of a variety of teaching materials, and a collection of medical models supports the training of nursing, ambulance paramedic, physiotherapy, occupational therapy and health science students.

The Library also offers learning support services and programs to both local and international students who wish to improve their approach to study or their academic English.

Faculty-based course advisers are also on hand to assist students with their academic study requirements.

General support services

The campus provides a full range of general support services including a health service

staffed by doctors, nurses and counsellors; an employment and careers centre; financial advice; and a multi-denominational chaplaincy service. Security on campus operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Information Technology Services, together with the faculties, provides a range of IT services and advice to students, as well as a Service Desk and access to the computer laboratories on campus.

Campus facilities

The campus offers a range of facilities for the benefit of students, including a bookshop, a childcare centre, a cafe, a bar and bistro, an internet cafe, a fully equipped gymnasium, tennis and basketball courts, a hockey field, soccer facilities and a multi-purpose sports hall.

Accommodation

Monash Residential Services provides accommodation services for all incoming students. Many choose the on-campus facilities where local and international students live in secure, spacious, furnished, self-contained residences. These are located within walking distance of all campus amenities. Students can choose from one, two, four or six-bedroom designs, with private lockable bedrooms and shared living areas, including kitchens equipped with main appliances.

All bedrooms have data and phone connection points, and shared areas are cleaned weekly. The rental fee covers most amenities. The Residential Support Team is trained to assist residents with any issues or concerns that may arise and coordinates a variety of residential programs throughout the year.

Students have access to an online database to search for other properties, and a tenancy advice service is available to all students.



Steven Myers

Third-year Physiotherapy student

After Steven Myers completed VCE in 2002, he enrolled in the biomedical science course at Monash's Clayton campus, intending to undertake specialist health science studies at postgraduate level.

His biomedical studies not only gave him a good idea of where his academic interests lay, they also provided him with valuable credit points towards the physiotherapy studies he decided to undertake at Peninsula campus.

"I really enjoyed the anatomy and physiology electives in my biomed course, as well as the exposure to medical research projects," Steven said.

The fact that the physiotherapy course was offered at Peninsula was an added incentive for Steven. "Even though the campus is quite large, it has a very homely feel to it. Having grown up in the small, rural community of Tynong, I enjoy the sense of community and belonging the campus provides," he said.

"It is much easier to get involved in student life at Peninsula than at a bigger campus, and there is more encouragement to participate in learning outside of the structured lectures, practicals and tutorials."

To this end, Steven has been actively involved with the student union and the establishment of the Monash Physiotherapy Society, which is now one of the largest clubs on campus. "I have gained experiences and life skills that you just can't learn in the classroom, skills that will be invaluable throughout my life," he said.

Steven has many plans for his future. "I'm interested in health politics and policy and am passionate about equity of healthcare, especially for rural and Indigenous communities," he said. "I would also like to further my studies."



The Peninsula campus sits at the gateway to the beautiful Mornington Peninsula, with stunning beaches and opportunities for a range of water activities.



International students

While Peninsula campus may seem removed from Melbourne's city centre, international students come to appreciate the benefits of studying and experiencing life at a smaller campus in the outer metropolitan area and the inclusive, friendly learning environment it provides.

The 370 international students who study at the Peninsula campus enjoy the same support as local students but with the added benefit of dedicated assistance from International Student Support staff.

The staff are available to assist students with a range of issues – including pre-departure, arrival, visa and accommodation information – and provide them with ongoing support throughout their time at the campus. Many of Peninsula's international students – who come from more than 20 countries – choose to live on campus, while others prefer to live in surrounding areas and commute to the campus.

Some of the many benefits of studying at a smaller campus include smaller class sizes, the opportunity to develop close relationships with other students – both local and international – and easy access to the many facilities and services provided on campus.

International students can also participate in the International Student Friendship Program, which introduces international students to local volunteers and their families for the purpose of developing cross-cultural friendships.

The Overseas Student Service, run by current international students, coordinates cultural activities and social events throughout the year for the benefit of both local and international students.

International students interested in undertaking courses at the Peninsula campus should check the credit transfer arrangements that exist between Monash University and their overseas institutions.

Monash College

Local and international students who have narrowly missed the academic requirements for direct entry into Monash University can apply for Monash College.

Monash College Peninsula offers small class sizes, faculty-designed courses and dedicated student support officers to enable students to experience the Monash lifestyle with full access to university facilities.

Satisfactory completion of a Monash College diploma provides entry into the second year of selected business and economics and health science programs.*

The college offers access and equity bursaries that reduce tuition fees for diplomas offered in the business and economics and health science areas at the Peninsula campus. Australian students who meet the equity criteria are eligible to apply for the bursaries.

* Dependent upon results.

Monash Metro

The Peninsula campus is part of the Monash Metro network, which includes all metropolitan campuses, centres and clinical schools.

By virtue of their physical proximity and close academic connections, campuses that are part of the Monash Metro network offer wide-ranging benefits and advantages to both students and staff. This allows them to enjoy seamless access to a variety of academic, research and extra-curricular opportunities including libraries, sporting facilities and study centres across the Monash network of campuses.

Initiatives such as the inter-campus shuttle bus and the staff business lounges facilitate this access.

Monash Metro students and staff may use facilities and services such as the Library, Learning Commons, general purpose IT laboratories and Student Service Centres on any campus in the network.





Elise Aitchison

Second-year Business and Commerce student

When international student Elise Aitchison was researching her study options from her home in Singapore, she looked first for reputation then location.

“I knew Monash had a great reputation,” she said. “And when I found out how close Peninsula was to the beach, I came to investigate and instantly felt as though I belonged.”

Elise’s sense of belonging stemmed from the size of the campus and its friendly atmosphere. “It’s not a sprawling campus where you take half an hour to walk from one side to the other. And the location is wonderful – just five minutes from the beach.”

Once enrolled as a student, the campus did not disappoint. “Peninsula has turned out to be more than I ever imagined it would be,” she said. “You’re not just a face in the crowd here, and the lecturers care a great deal about their students’ wellbeing.”

Elise said for international students, taking part in the campus culture through the range of extra-curricular activities can be really helpful.

“I got involved with the Overseas Student Services (OSS) when I first arrived, and it’s been an incredible journey,” she said.

“I’m now the director of the OSS and I’m committed to helping other international students with their transition. I’m also involved with the student union. All these activities have enriched my life in many ways. I’m part of a campus community with a great sense of belonging.”

Elise plans to work in human resources when she finishes her studies. “With my Monash degree and my extra-curricular activities, I’m well on my way to achieving that goal.”



The Peninsula campus is set on 12 hectares of native landscaped gardens, providing a relaxing environment for students.

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Information about Frankston

www.visitfrankston.com

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www.visitmorningtonpeninsula.org/contact.asp

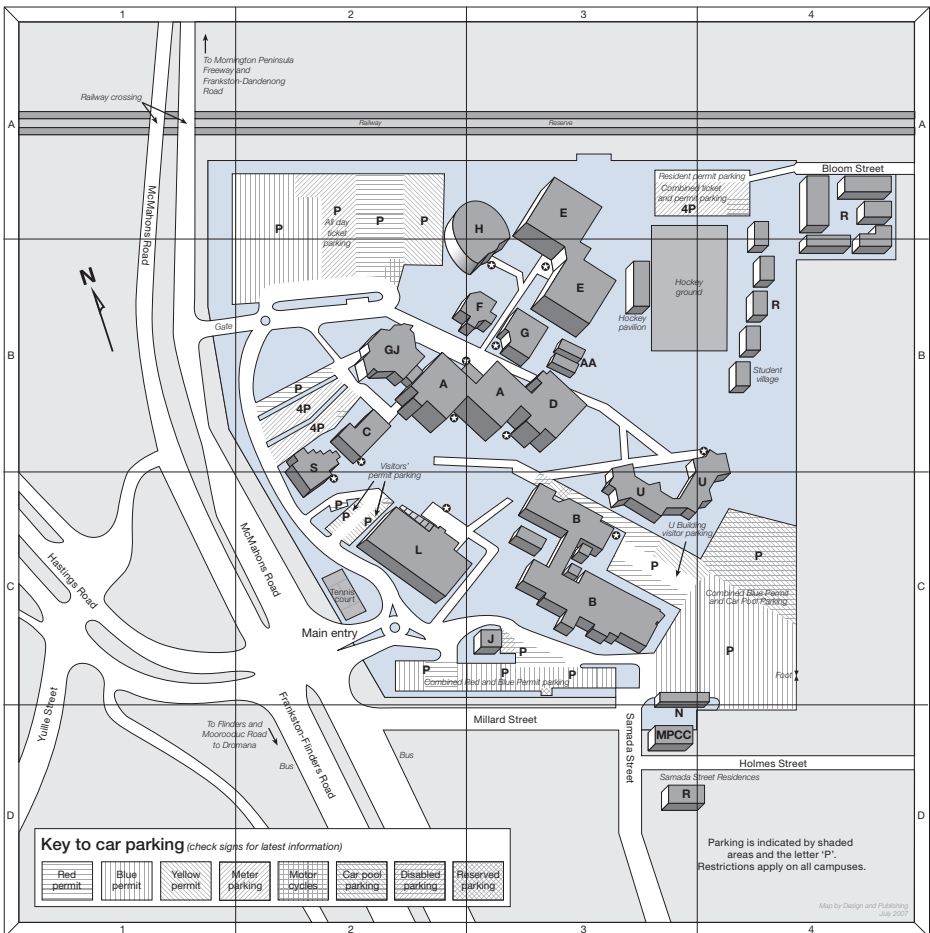
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







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