Introduction

Why College?

Make lasting friendships in a lifelong community

Ten Colleges. Endless opportunities.

Live, learn, make friends and explore your passions at one of the University of Melbourne’s Colleges.

If you’re moving out of home for the first time, College is a great way to make the transition to independence. Meeting people is easier while caring staff are there to help out. You’re within walking distance of class and won’t have to worry about cooking meals or household chores – so you can concentrate on your studies and make the most of University life.

Collegiate life is unique.

College is far more than accommodation – it is an unrivalled learning and living experience. It’s a place of belonging.

From academic support and leadership opportunities to a broad range of cultural and sporting activities to get involved with, College lets you pursue your passions as well as try new interests. Shared meals and a diverse social life also mean it’s where you’ll form some of your closest and most enduring friendships.

5 great reasons to live on campus

1. Community
From your first day at College, you’ll become part of a vibrant, close-knit community. Built around learning and connection, it’s where friendships flourish and new experiences abound.

2. Care and well-being
With lots of opportunities to explore your individuality and interests in a supportive community, College life empowers you to succeed in and out of the classroom – both personally and academically.

3. Academic success
Dive deeply into a world of ideas. Rigorous tutorial programs, academic support and learning experiences will extend you beyond the lecture theatre and help you grow.

4. Everyday is extraordinary
The heart of every College is its dining room. Offering more than the convenience of freshly prepared meals; it is where an ordinary day can turn into an extraordinary one through the conversation over the dinner table.

5. Career opportunities
College empowers you to jump-start your future. With many opportunities to connect with a rich Alumni, develop leadership confidence and explore career pathways, we’ll help you find a fulfilling profession.
Undergraduate
Find your place in a diverse community that will bring out the best in you. From exceptional academic programs and leadership opportunities to a wide variety of extracurricular activities, College is a deeply transformative experience – intellectually, socially and personally. It’s also a great way to make the transition to University and living away from home.

Learning
Ask questions. Explore a new idea. Stretch your thinking. All Colleges offer a comprehensive small-group tutorial program to help support your University subjects. The program usually covers first and second year subjects and is delivered by tutors who are practicing professionals or graduate students that have completed their bachelor degree.

Whether it’s in conversation with other students across the dining table or the chance to dive in and try new extracurricular activities, College also gives you the opportunity to learn and grow beyond the classroom.

Support
Connected and accepting, College communities let you thrive.

You’ll build friendships that last a lifetime and live with residential tutors and senior student leaders who are available around-the-clock to offer support.

Discover how College offers a truly unique experience that will help you make the most out of your University of Melbourne degree.

Convenience
With no need to commute or worry about cooking and household chores, College lets you concentrate on your studies and making the most of University life.

Graduate
Living at College is an ideal place to focus on furthering your studies. To be part of a thriving intellectual community that has the programs and people to make all the difference in advancing your career.

Academic support
Tutorial programs, support and professional mentoring will challenge you academically and help you succeed at your studies.

Be part of a leading institution
The University of Melbourne enjoys an outstanding reputation with international rankings consistently placing it as Australia’s leading institution and number 33 in the world\(^1\).

Networking and career opportunities
Contacts made with Alumni, leadership opportunities and unique job skill programs will help give your career the edge.

Community
Live and learn with other students who are all striving for excellence. Rich friendships and access to lifelong professional networks will remain an important part of your life long after you move on from College.

Non Residential
Enjoy a campus experience and the benefits of being a member of the College community.

- Benefit from personal learning in small tutorials.
- Participate in the social and cultural activities.
- Access state-of-the-art facilities.

Some of the Colleges give you the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of a College experience while living off campus.

To find out more or apply for non-residential places, please visit the Colleges’ individual websites.

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1: Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2015-2016

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Intercollegiate spirit
Pursue your passions beyond the books.

Living, learning and belonging at one of our Colleges opens you up not only to new experiences and ethos of the individual College but also extends an invitation to students to become part of the wider intercollegiate community. Activities, societies and intercollegiate competition adds to the richness of College life, with a vast program of calendar events organised throughout the year, ranging from Quidditch matches, sporting competitions, drama and musical theatre productions, battle of the bands and various debates.

The University and Colleges also organise activities with a focus on multiculturalism and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture. College is the perfect time to explore your passions, beyond studying to get the most out of your University experience.
Our Colleges

Each of our ten Colleges is unique with their own traditions and ethos. Yet, they share a collective passion for providing exceptional opportunities and supportive communities to help you reach your full potential.

Get to know each of the Colleges and find the one that suits you best.
With a diverse community made up of students from almost 40 different nationalities, International House offers a global perspective in living and learning. Underpinned by inclusiveness, it is a place where friendships, academic learning and personal growth allow you to become a true global citizen.

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"A global perspective for learning and living."

Combining a distinguished heritage and charming building with a stimulating intellectual environment, Janet Clarke Hall offers a unique opportunity to achieve your academic and personal potential. Our small community nurtures an atmosphere of belonging while still providing the opportunity to be involved in a rich culture of academic, arts, musical and sporting pursuits.

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"The students here are wonderful and talented, a diverse and intelligent group that’s always busy doing something. I couldn’t imagine being anywhere else."

90 Undergraduates
7 Graduates

290 Undergraduates
57 Graduates

International House

Janet Clarke Hall
Medley Hall

Medley Hall is the smallest College of the University of Melbourne, currently with 57 students and an annexe for a further 16 soon to open. Situated in Drummond Street, Carlton, in recently refurbished heritage premises, it is an informal and welcoming place. The College pursues environmental sustainability and social inclusion in all its policies and practices and has a strong record of implementing the access and equity strategies of the University. Students come from around Australia and the world.

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As an Aboriginal woman, my experiences are very different to some College students; however, I have never felt alienated because of them. Rather than mould myself to fit this space, Medley has grown with me to the point where it is a second home. We are a place where voices are heard and validated through meaningful change ensuring that each person’s experience here is as unique as they are.

Newman College

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My life has been so enriched by my time here at Newman, and I hold its walls – and the people between them – very close to my heart.

The Jesuit spirit of bold but critical engagement with the world shapes the Newman College experience. A comprehensive tutorial program, mentoring and scholarships encourage a standard of excellence in studies, while music, drama, art, sport, community service and spiritual life promote the variety of gifts in members of the College. Student life also offers friendships, connections and the rich opportunities of its gathering of energy and talent.

Two thirds of all students are supported by an extensive scholarship and bursary program, which enables a significant cohort of students from regional Victoria and Australia to attend the College. Nearly a third of the student body is engaged in graduate and post graduate studies.

220 Undergraduates

80 Graduates + Postgraduates
Ormond College

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Live and learn in a welcoming, diverse and vibrant community where people form life-long friendships. Learning is a constant in Ormond, whether it’s a conversation over dinner, taking a tutorial, organising College events or engaging with our extensive alumni network. Students leave the College equipped with the knowledge and skills that enable them to make a disproportionate difference in the world.

A substantial Financial Assistance program ensures that this unique experience is available to people from every background and every corner of the country and beyond.

Ormond encourages me to try new activities, stretch my comfort zone and have robust discussions on a variety of topics.

Queen’s College

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The way of life at Queen’s is framed around students being partners in and co-creators of our community. Our Methodist heritage and integration across student years, along with breadth of social and sporting activities fosters a strong sense of belonging. From an academic perspective, Queen’s actively prepares students for jobs of the future by offering a strong tutorial program and structured focus on employability.

It is difficult to imagine a more vibrant and spirited community than Queen’s.

242 Undergraduates
55 Graduates
22 Non Residents

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St Hilda’s College

Our motto, Communitas, captures the social spirit and deep sense of belonging that is lived at St Hilda’s. Established in 1964, we are proud to bring a fresh perspective to College life. Our focus is on creating an experience that supports you to be your best academically, in modern facilities that allow you to thrive personally. St Hilda’s is a home for learning and rich, shared experiences.

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“St Mary’s is a medium-sized College community where everyone feels welcome and you’ll make lifelong friends. We embrace our Catholic and Loreto tradition to take a well-balanced approach to nurturing the whole person—intellectually, spiritually, physically and emotionally. Our renovated rooms, convenient location, delicious meals and full access to the University of Melbourne gym creates the ideal home base for a rich College experience.

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I love the community we have at St Hilda’s, I have made so many friends and everyone is so welcoming. College has helped me to become more confident in myself and pushed me to achieve more in my life. It has truly made the transition to university so much easier than I thought it would be.

— Student Testimonial

St Mary’s is a very supportive and safe environment to be in. It’s different because there are less people, so it’s more of a tight-knit community where you are able to get to know everyone really well.

— Student Testimonial

199 Undergraduates
10 Graduates

161 Undergraduates
7 Graduates
Trinity College

Occupying a beautiful and iconic site, Trinity offers transformational opportunities to develop new passions, friendships and ways of knowing. We offer strong academic programs and a clear focus on supporting students to succeed. This extends beyond the classroom to include a wide range of musical, sporting, spiritual and entrepreneurial pursuits. Our welcoming community includes a distinguished alumni of over 20,000 individuals – including 32 Rhodes Scholars.

After living here for only a year so far, I have been amazed at how unique and different everyone is, and yet we have bonded through the various teams, clubs or societies that Trinity provides.

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University College

University College offers the perfect combination of academic excellence and a relaxed, supportive community where everybody knows each other. Students say they feel at home as soon as they walk through the doors at UC. We also offer modern facilities where most students enjoy rooms with private ensuites and double beds. Our beautiful gardens and collaborative learning spaces will help you focus fully on your studies.

Living at University College has been incredible. Everyone knows each other and it feels like UC is my home away from home.

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Building your future together

Fees & financial support

We are committed to ensuring College is accessible to students from all backgrounds and offer a range of financial aid programs that may assist you – including scholarships, bursaries and employment opportunities.

Before scholarships and bursaries, undergraduate fees range from $664–$826 / week. Over a third of all residents in the Colleges receive Financial Assistance, scholarship or bursary.

This includes:
- A furnished room;
- 21 meals per week – 3 meals, 7 days per week;
- Full access to College tutorials and academic programs;
- Full use of College facilities;
- A range of support and recreational programs encompassing social, cultural, sporting, leadership, spiritual, personal and professional development initiatives;
- Internet;
- Cleaning.

Compare the cost of living out of home to staying at College, especially when receiving financial assistance, and you’ll find the difference may not be great - but the difference in experience is immeasurable.

Contact the Colleges to find out what financial assistance and scholarships might be available for you.

There is always something happening at College. All the events, especially O-week, make it so easy to make great friends. Every event is so much fun and is filled with experiences you will never forget.
How to choose

While each of our ten Colleges offer a similar experience, they each have their own individual ethos, character and particular offerings. We recommend researching each individual College website to start.

When deciding, you might consider:
- College ethos and values;
- The size of the College (how many students);
- The history of the College (how old or new it is);
- Make up of the student community (how many international, rural, interstate students there are);
- Academic success and support / learning programs;
- Care and well-being support.

Open Day

Experience first-hand what it’s like to live, learn and thrive at College, come along to our Open Day.

Coming to the University’s Open Day is the best way to get a feel for the individual Colleges and ascertain which one is right for you. All Colleges provide tours and you will have the opportunity to meet students and staff to speak to them about their life at College. We recommend visiting as many Colleges as possible before applying. Check unimelb.edu.au for dates.

If you are unable to attend on that day, please contact the Colleges directly for a tour.
How to apply

Step 1
- Apply online colleges.unimelb.edu.au
- Make note of your application ID and Password (it will not be sent by email).
- Fill out the form and check that your details are correct.
- Make sure you fill out all your preferences for the Colleges.
- Upload your photo and most recent school report or academic transcript.
- Submit.

Step 2
- Your form is sent to your College of first preference.
- Your College of first preference will process your form.
  - If you are selected for an interview, you will be contacted to organise a time.
  - If you are not selected for an interview, your application will be forwarded to your next College of preference.
- Contact your College of first preference and pay the application fee of $75*.

Step 3
- Provide the College that holds your application with more information as it becomes available.
  - VTAC applicants must advise the College that holds their application of their VTAC number.
  - ATAR recipients must advise the College that holds their application of their score and supply their certificate.
- Once university offers are received, you must advise the College that holds your application and supply evidence.
- If any of your details change, you must advise the College that holds your application.
- Applicants only need to submit ONE application form and cannot submit separate applications to multiple Colleges.

Note: You do not need a university offer to apply for College, and although places will usually only be offered at the confirmation of a university offer, some Colleges may make conditional offers. Please visit colleges.unimelb.edu.au for application dates.

*If you are a secondary school student and currently receiving youth allowance, you are exempt from this fee after providing supporting documentation.
*This fee is non-refundable.

Applying

Offers
VTAC offers are made mid-January each year. You will be advised of the outcome of your College application that week.

Overseas and Graduate university offers generally come out before VTAC offers and College offers vary depending on the College. The College that holds your application will inform you of your application status.

Unsuccessful applications
If you are not offered a place by your College of preference, they may ask if you wish to be placed on their waiting list or be referred to your next College of preference that is still considering applicants, through the intercollegiate pool process. To learn more about the intercollegiate pool process visit colleges.unimelb.edu.au.

If at any stage you wish to withdraw your application, please inform the College that holds your application immediately.

Alternative accommodation options
The Colleges have places available for a large number of students each year, however not every applicant will be offered a place. We highly recommend that you look into other suitable options such as student apartments and share housing in case you are not offered a place by one of the Colleges.

Check The University of Melbourne Housing website for the options on offer at services.unimelb.edu.au/housing.
Living in Melbourne

Living at College puts the day-to-day excitement, culture and opportunity of Melbourne at your doorstep. With the heart of the world’s most liveable city just a short stroll from campus, there’s never been a better place to live, learn, work, and explore your passions.

Melbourne is a modern metropolis with a culturally diverse community. It’s also one of the safest cities in the world to call home.

From a hole-in-the-wall bar to colourful street art, there’s always something new to discover in Melbourne’s hive of bustling laneways. Just turn the corner and see what you’ll discover.

Internationally recognised as a culinary hotspot, Melbourne has more than 1,600 cafes and restaurants to choose from. Whether you want to grab a cheap and cheerful snack or take your time over a memorable meal, Melbourne’s dining scene is fresh and exciting.

Get outside and make the most of the city’s rivers, parks and bay. Grab your bike for a ride along the Yarra, go for a run around Princes Park or head to the Royal Botanic Gardens for a picture-perfect picnic.

At its heart, Melbourne is a creative city that pulses with the energy of a lively arts and cultural scene. Dive deep and catch your favourite band, visit one of the 100-plus galleries or watch the latest blockbuster stage show.