

AUSTRALIAN FOUNDATION PROGRAM



Who is the Australian Foundation Program for?

This program is designed for students who would like entry into an Aspire undergraduate diploma program, leading to a bachelor's degree, but have not completed an Australian high school Year 12 or equivalent. It is also suitable for students who would like an introductory program before tackling a full diploma.

Highlights

The curriculum is designed by ICMS academic staff to incorporate the specific knowledge and skill pre-requisites needed to study a bachelor's degree. Students in the program study at the ICMS City Campus with full access to campus facilities. The teaching format is designed to familiarise students with the teaching style used at ICMS and to develop the learning skills required by this style of teaching.

English language proficiency requirements:

IELTS: Overall 5.5; Writing 5.0; Speaking 5.0

Entry requirements:

Complete the equivalent of Australian Year 11 standard education and be at least 17 years of age at the commencement of the Australian Foundation Program.

Delivery mode:

Face-to-face lectures + tutorials + supervised self-directed study. Students complete a total of 728 hours, made up of small group classes and self-guided learning.

CRICOS code: 076374G

Duration: 2 trimesters (8 months)

Fees in 2026: A\$15,000 per trimester; A\$30,000 total

Intakes: February, May, or August

Campus: City Campus, Sydney

Australian Foundation Program course structure: 10 modules which cover English subjects and core business disciplines.

| TRIMESTER 1 | | | TRIMESTER 2 | | |
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| MODULES | LECTURE/TUTORIAL HOURS | SUPERVISED STUDIES HOURS | MODULES | LECTURE/TUTORIAL HOURS | SUPERVISED STUDIES HOURS |
| English 1 | 6 | 2 | English 2 | 6 | 2 |
| Essentials of Computing | 4 | 1 | Australian Cultural Studies | 4 | 1 |
| Intro to Accounting | 4 | 1 | Intro to Service Management | 4 | 1 |
| Business Principles | 4 | 1 | Mathematics for Business | 4 | 1 |
| The Law in Australia | 4 | 1 | Intro to Economics | 4 | 1 |
| Total Study Hours per Trimester (364) | | | Total Study Hours per Trimester (364) | | |

About Aspire

Aspire Institute offers higher education undergraduate and postgraduate courses as stand-alone qualifications or, should you wish to further your studies, as a pathway into a bachelor or other program at the International College of Management, Sydney (ICMS), or one of the distinguished Australian universities and colleges that Aspire has partnerships with. Successfully completing a course provides students with a nationally recognised award that improves their employment prospects.

Aspire testimonials:



"You've got nothing to lose by coming here. It is such a social and educational environment that it's impossible not to make friends. The classes are small, so you always feel heard and you can engage with the content in the best way possible. It's just the perfect base for building your future career."

Paphawarin Janthawadee from Thailand
Australian Foundation Program

"Being here at Aspire, before I continue on my study path at UTS, has provided me with a clear direction for my future studies and helped me discover my true passions."

Yidi (Martin) Du from China
Australian Foundation Program



"Let me share with you how I went from Aspire to a Bachelor of Business (Marketing) at the International College of Management, Sydney (ICMS). If I can do it, you can too."

Jewel from Myanmar
Australian Foundation Program

"I am currently completing the Australian Foundation Program at Aspire, a one year course that will lead me ultimately to further studies at the University of Technology, Sydney."

Weihong (Jason) Zong from Australia
Australian Foundation Program



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