

# DE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT STORIES



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I decided to study overseas because of my strong desire for a high quality education system, which is readily available in Australia. I chose to study in NSW particularly due to its superior educational and economic status and known reputation for multiculturalism and cultural acceptance.

Studying at a NSW government school was a very enjoyable and comfortable experience as I always received paramount support from the school's staff and my peers. For instance, the school I attended has several international student coordinators who take care of international students' mental and emotional wellbeing. My school also celebrates cultural diversity, through activities such as the Mid-Autumn Festival, which made me feel I belonged. What's more important is that the school encourages international students

to participate in the local community and express our voices by organising fundraising, volunteering, and public speaking events.

My favourite subject at school was ESL (English as a second language). I appreciated that it was specifically designed to target international students' needs to allow us to succeed in our future studies.

Among my achievements, I am most proud of being elected as a prefect and an international student ambassador because these roles align with my passion for helping other international students.

The general lifestyle in Sydney is both chill and busy. I get to enjoy outdoor activities such as visiting the seaside more. Moreover, there are just so many activities to explore, which makes life busier in a way and I have to balance these fascinating events with my study.

Since completing the HSC, I have been doing my Bachelor of Physiotherapy degree. I'm looking forward to completing my degree and becoming a registered physiotherapist. Being a physiotherapist aligns with my interest in helping people and I see it as a career with lots of potential.



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