

DUELI STUDENTS

Application for Homestay



This form MUST be returned together with your completed Notification of Arrival form to:

Student Accommodation Services (SAS)
Facsimile (+61 3) 9486 2333
Email: deakin@student-accommodation.com.au
Telephone (+61 3) 9486 1916

You need to RETURN YOUR FORMS AT LEAST 2 WEEKS BEFORE ARRIVAL or homestay may not be arranged. Answer ALL questions and ensure your contact details are accurate. SAS will contact you within 48 hours to confirm receipt of your application

NOTE: The homestay placement fee of A\$200* (non-refundable) must be paid to Deakin University BEFORE you arrive or homestay may not be arranged. Payment should be made by bankdraft payable to Deakin University and sent to Deakin International.

STUDENT DETAILS

Family name (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms) _____
Given name(s) _____ Preferred name _____
Date of birth _____ Gender _____
Nationality _____ Religion _____
DUELI course start date _____ Expected length of stay in homestay? _____

HOW DO WE CONTACT YOU?

Your telephone _____ Your fax _____ Your email _____
Agent's name _____
Agent's telephone _____ Agent's fax _____
Agent's email _____

NAME OF MOTHER OR FATHER

Name _____
Business telephone _____ Fax _____
Home telephone _____ Email _____

STUDENT ADDRESS IN HOME COUNTRY

Number and street _____
Suburb or town _____ State _____
Country _____ Postcode _____
Tel _____ Fax _____ Email _____

ARRIVAL DETAILS

Do you require airport reception on arrival? (Airport reception is COMPULSORY for students under 18)

No – please provide your expected date and time of arrival at the homestay _____

Yes – please fill in the following arrival information:

Departure from home

Flight number: _____ Airline: _____ Date: _____ Time of departure: _____

Arrival in Melbourne

Flight number: _____ Airline: _____ Date: _____ Time of arrival: _____

How many family members will arrive with you who will require transport (do NOT include yourself) _____

HOMESTAY PREFERENCE

Single-room

With children Without children Either

Will you accept other students in the homestay? Yes No (choice of homestay may be limited)

Can eat any kind of food Cannot eat _____

Smoker: Yes No Pets: Like Dislike

Student's hobbies or interests _____

MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Do you have any medical condition/disability that we need to know about to provide for your well-being? Describe:

Allergies: No Yes - if yes, please state your allergies _____

Medication taken: No Yes - if yes, please state your medication/s _____

PLEASE WRITE ANY SPECIAL REQUESTS YOU WISH TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WHEN DEALING WITH YOUR APPLICATION

HOMESTAY CONDITIONS

- Homestay fees are payable two weeks in advance and the first payment is due on arrival at the homestay.
- The minimum stay is two weeks and this is non-refundable.
- You must give two weeks of written notice before leaving the homestay or you have to pay a penalty fee of A\$140.
- If you wish to take a holiday and return to the same homestay, a holding fee of A\$70 per week applies and it is payable in advance.
- If you are under 18, any requests for changes to your homestay arrangements must be made by your parents and must be approved by Deakin University or your enrolment may be terminated.
- Reception for enrolled Deakin students is free but accompanying family members must pay A\$80.00 per person.

AUTHORITY OF PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

I, _____ being the parent/guardian of the applicant hereby accept financial responsibility in respect to fees payable by him/her.

Signature in English _____

Signature in own language _____

Date _____

SIGNED BY STUDENT

I have read and understood the Homestay Information sheet and I agree to the conditions of homestay as outlined above:

Signature in English _____

Signature in own language _____

Date _____

Please note that you must give at least two weeks' notice before leaving your homestay or you will be required to pay a penalty charge of A\$140 (A\$10 for each day of notice).

- Holidays** If you wish to take a holiday and return to the same homestay, a fee of A\$70 per week applies while you are away.
- Students under 18** Students under the age of 18 who require Deakin University to approve their accommodation and welfare arrangements must stay in an Under-18 Homestay arranged through an approved provider. For more information about requirements for under age students please visit the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) webpage at www.immi.gov.au/students/students/573-1/eligibility-student-18.htm#c and contact your Country Team Leader at Deakin International Admissions. To get a copy of Information for Under-18 students go Deakin University's webpage at www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/international/brochures-forms.php. Any changes to your accommodation must be requested by your parents and must be approved by Deakin University or your enrolment may be terminated.

LIVING IN YOUR HOMESTAY

- Your bedroom** Your bedroom will have a desk, a light, a chair and a comfortable bed. If required, a heater can be provided, but you may be asked to pay an additional cost for its use. Australian families do not keep heaters on during the night as this is dangerous. Please remember to turn off lights and heaters before you go out. If you are coming to Melbourne in winter, bring warm pyjamas and wear socks in bed to keep warm.
- Toiletries** You are expected to buy your own toothpaste and shampoo, but items such as toilet paper, soap, washing powder/liquid, towels and bed linen are normally provided by the host.
- Meals** Your host will provide you with three meals a day. Breakfast and lunch are usually self-service and dinner is prepared by the host. Please let your host know what you can and cannot eat, and suggest meals that you like. If you prefer to buy your own lunch just let your host know. It is also polite to notify your host in advance if you will be late for meals or eating elsewhere.
- Laundry** Homestays are equipped with laundry facilities and you should be prepared to do your own washing and ironing, though sometimes your host may offer to do it in an effort to be more water efficient. Do not use the washing machine for a small load, as this is not economical. Clothes are normally dried outside on a clothes line or a clothes horse.
- Cleaning** You are responsible for cleaning your bedroom and should clean up the kitchen and bathroom after use. In an Australian home everybody is expected to participate in household duties as both parents often work and there are no servants or maids. As part of the household, you should help with small jobs such as washing dishes, putting out the rubbish or helping to prepare meals. It will help you to feel a part of the family and help you and your homestay family to get to know each other better.
- Telephone** The homestay fee does not cover telephone charges. You are responsible for paying all of your calls. Local calls cost about 22-25 cents each. International calls cost about \$1.50 per minute. Please check with your host before calling overseas. You can also use reverse charges to keep in touch with your family, or buy a phone card (you can use phone cards to ring from a public or a private phone), and there are also several internet cafes in Melbourne (note that reverse charge calls can be expensive). Please adhere to guidelines about telephone use set by the host and ensure that you pay all your bills before leaving the homestay.
- Visitors** You are normally permitted to bring visitors to your homestay but please discuss with your host first. Check with your host whether they would prefer that visitors leave by a certain time.
- Security** Melbourne is a very safe place to live. However, you must always be security conscious, for instance, you should lock doors and windows when you leave the home. Discuss security rules with your homestay host when you first arrive. (Note that homes do not normally have locks on bathroom or bedroom doors.) You must keep your host informed of where you go. If you do not, and are absent from your homestay for over 24 hours, we are obliged to contact the police. Please tell your host when you will be home late, or if you are away overnight leave a contact telephone number.
- Personal property insurance** If you are bringing expensive items with you to Australia, such as a laptop computer, digital camera or jewellery, we recommend that you apply for personal property insurance. This will insure such items against loss or theft. Home insurance that your homestay host has does NOT cover visitors or students staying in their house.
- Smoking** Your host decides the rules on smoking. In most households smoking is not allowed inside.
- Questions or problems?** If you require further information or have a problem with your homestay, please contact Student Accommodation Services. It is often a good idea to try to discuss any problems with your host family first, however this may not always be easy. If you find that you cannot discuss any problems with your host, please contact Student Accommodation Services by phoning +61 3 9486 1916 Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.