



World-Class Education from Start to Finish.

South Australia has a long tradition of quality education with a world-class education system from preschool to university. This includes a range of child-care options, exceptional public and private schools, world-class universities and a wide range of technical and further education institutes. Some notable South Australian graduates include NASA astronaut Andy Thomas, Australian Nobel Laureate Howard Florey, best known for his pioneering work on penicillin, and nuclear scientist Mark Oliphant.

Child-Care

South Australia has many child-care centres. Of these, the majority are located in the Adelaide metropolitan area, with many in the city business district. There are also child-care centres in country areas. Child-care for children from birth to age 12 is available through approved Family Day Care Providers in the carer's home and privately employed nannies. Child-care for school aged children before and after school and during vacations is provided in Outside School Hours Care services located in most schools. For further information, please visit: Department of Education and Children's Services; Child-Care and Early Learning www.childcare.sa.gov.au Community Based Child Care Centres www.sachildcare.com.au

Preschool

Preschools offer education for children aged between four and five years in the 12 months before entry into school. All preschools invite parent participation. This provides an excellent opportunity for children and their parents to develop social contacts and friendships.

Primary Education

Primary schools cover the eight-year period from Reception to Year 7. In South Australia, it is compulsory for children to be enrolled in primary school by their sixth birthday and enrolments can be made at age five. The early years of primary education provide strong beginnings for all children to explore, experiment, discover and develop skills and understandings. The Eight Learning Areas of languages, English, mathematics, science, society and environment, the arts, design and technology, health and physical education provide a constructive framework for students to enhance their learning experiences.

Secondary Education

Secondary schooling covers the five-year period from year 8 to year 12 (approximate ages 12-17 years). South Australia also has secondary schools that specialise in adult re-entry, including the Para West Adult Campus, Thebarton Senior College, Hamilton Secondary College and Marden Senior College, as well as others that accept adult enrolments.

All South Australian secondary schools produce students whose achievements are ranked highly by Australian standards. Parents and prospective students are advised to conduct their own research to identify the school or college that best meets their needs.



School Zones

Please note, all students are guaranteed enrolment in their local public primary or secondary school. Some schools have a "zone of right" in order to ensure students who reside in that zone are guaranteed enrolment at their "local" school. The school zones are similar to the UK catchment area system, and more information can be found by typing 'school zones' into the search facility at www.decs.sa.gov.au

However if you wish to enrol your child in a private school, there are no zone restrictions. For further information, please visit: Association of Independent Schools of SA – www.ais.sa.edu.au



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South Australian State (Government) School Term Dates

Year	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2010	27 Jan - 1 Apr	19 April - 2 Jul	19 Jul - 24 Sep	11 Oct - 10 Dec
2011	31 Jan - 15 Apr	2 May - 8 Jul	25 Jul - 30 Sep	17 Oct - 16 Dec
2012	30 Jan - 5 Apr	23 Apr - 29 Jun	16 Jul - 21 Sep	8 Oct - 14 Dec

Tertiary Education

In South Australia we prize our clever and highly skilled young people and we have six internationally acclaimed universities to cater for them. We also have an extensive vocational training system and a wide range of specialised tertiary institutions. The University of Adelaide, Flinders University and University of South Australia have been turning out excellent graduates for years.

Carnegie Mellon now has a campus in Adelaide – the only American university in Australia. Furthermore University College London, which consistently ranks in the four best universities in the world, has established a School of Energy and Resources (UCL SERAus).

University of Adelaide: www.adelaide.edu.au

Flinders University: www.flinders.edu.au

University of South Australia: www.unisa.edu.au

Carnegie Mellon: www.heinz.cmu.edu/australia

Cranfield University: www.cranfield.ac.uk/australia

University College London: www.ucl.ac.uk/australia

Education Adelaide: www.studyadelaide.com



Vocational Education and Training

South Australia also has eight institutes of Technical and Further Education (TAFE) that provide more than 300 vocational education and training courses designed to meet the demands of the workforce. Vocational Education and Training (VET) in South Australia covers a broad range of areas, ranging from trades, information technology and manufacturing to business, hospitality and tourism. South Australia is also a highly acclaimed centre of excellence for hospitality and the culinary arts and the States wine growing region offers practical experience for students involved in related courses. TAFE: www.tafe.sa.edu.au

Dependents of Business, Skilled, Occupational or Cultural Visa Holders

These are students whose parent holds a business, skilled, occupational or cultural visa (e.g. subclasses 163, 175, 176, 456, 457, 495, 956, 977). These students have the same entitlements as local students and are able to enrol in their local, zoned school, or a New Arrivals Program centre if required. They must produce their passport and visa when enrolling, to verify their fee exemption status. They pay the Materials and Services Charges directly to the host school. These charges depend on the school and level of services used.

FIND OUT MORE: South Australian Government: www.sa.gov.au

Department of Trade and Economic Development: www.southaustralia.biz

South Australian Tourism Commission: www.southaustralia.com

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Please Note: The Government of South Australia is not responsible for processing migration applications.

If you wish to migrate to South Australia, you will need to apply for a visa through the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.

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