International Student Information
Why Adelaide?

Adelaide is an affordable and friendly place in which to live, work and learn. It is a city of around 1.1 million people and is the capital of South Australia. In addition to being a clean city surrounded by green parklands, Adelaide has:

• a vibrant international and cosmopolitan character
• a low cost of living relative to other states
• a relaxed lifestyle
• 20 minutes to beautiful beaches for swimming and relaxing or to the leafy Adelaide Hills
• extensive cycling trails
• excellent public transport
• wide open spaces where you will see some of Australia’s unique wildlife

Adelaide has welcomed migrants from around the world and its unique multicultural atmosphere is reflected in the diverse range of cuisines offered by its many cafes and restaurants, and in the produce available at its renowned Central Markets. With around 100 nationalities represented, there’s always some reminder of ‘home’ for our international students and visitors.
Why Concordia College?

“At Concordia College, we believe that an excellent education is about more than just exceptional results. It is about helping students to develop the skills that will give them the best possible start in life.”

Lester Saegenschnitter
Principal, Concordia College

Concordia College is a co-educational school comprising two campuses in one location, educating around 1280 students from Early Learning Centre to Year 12. Founded in 1890, Concordia is located in Highgate, just 5 km (10 minutes) from Adelaide’s city centre and 20 minutes from Adelaide International Airport.

Based on the Christian ethos, Concordia has a strong reputation as a school which cares for its students.

As an International Baccalaureate (IB) school, we believe in the value of an international education and the importance of developing a global mindset. We have high expectations of our students and offer a challenging and engaging program of learning. Concordia’s Senior School academic program builds on the International Baccalaureate Programme offered in the Middle School. Students choose from a broad range of subjects as part of a well-balanced curriculum, which enables them to gain the IB Diploma or the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) on completion of Year 12.

Many of our students achieve excellent academic scores preparing them for entry into top universities both in Australia and overseas. The Dux of Concordia College in 2015 was an international student who achieved a score of 99.80 and is now studying a Bachelor of Science at a university in Melbourne.

Support for International Students

At Concordia College we currently have around 20 international students from five countries, providing excellent opportunities for language learning and cultural assimilation. A number of international students are currently in the IB Diploma Programme.

Concordia has an established homestay program. Most of these homes are within easy reach of the College and provide a welcoming and supportive environment.

English as a Second Language (ESL) support is provided as part of the Senior School curriculum. Our International Student Coordinator is responsible for the wellbeing and integration of international students, The Principal (or delegate) visits China and Hong Kong each year to meet with parents of current and prospective students.

For more information please visit the international student pages on the College website http://www.concordia.sa.edu.au/enrolment/international-students/

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At Concordia, we want all our students to be successful in their learning where success is measured by continual improvement and achieving personal goals.

Excelled Academic Outcomes Relative to the National Average
Concordia College congratulates the Class of 2015 on outstanding results in both the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) and the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE):

- Median score of 83.2.
- 27.6% of Concordia students who were eligible for an ATAR gained an ATAR of 90 or greater, placing them in the top 10% of students in Australia, and 61.8% were above 80.
- Three students achieved scores of 99 and above.
- A total of 23 Merit Certificates were shared between 16 students.

2015 ATAR Results

South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE)
The top SACE student achieved a score of 99.35 as well as a subject merit for Physics.

International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP)
The average score for the 2015 International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme cohort was 93.77 and the median score was 94.98. The Dux of Concordia College in 2015 was an international student who also achieved the top IB score for the cohort of 99.80 and four subject merits.