

Application for Accommodation

Under 18 Years of Age

Student Visa Condition 8532 requires that where students under the age of 18 who are not being cared for in Australia by a parent or a suitable nominated relative, the registered provider ensures that the arrangements made to protect the personal safety and social well being of the students are appropriate.

Homestay Fee - **\$240** per week (includes \$20 per week Guardianship fee)
Students 12 and under: plus \$80 per week (Mandatory transport fee)

Please print in **BLOCK** letters. Tick where appropriate **PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU GIVE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE**

Student's Name	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Family name or surname	Given names

Gender	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Nationality	<input type="text"/>	Religion	<input type="text"/>
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Date of birth	dd <input type="text"/>	mm <input type="text"/>	yyyy <input type="text"/>	Course start date (dd/mm/yyyy)	<input type="text"/>
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School	Murdoch College <input type="checkbox"/>	Murdoch Language Institute <input type="checkbox"/>	Murdoch Institute of Technology <input type="checkbox"/>
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Airport pick up	<input type="checkbox"/> (please tick if required)	Flight details	Flight number	Arrival time	Arrival date
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Flight details must be provided to your agent or directly to us as soon as possible and must be received at least 2 working days (Monday - Friday) before your arrival.

Do you smoke?*	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	* Please note that in Australia it is illegal for anyone under the age of 18 to buy cigarettes and to smoke.
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Are you able to live with:	People who smoke?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Children?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Dogs?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Cats?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Do you have any allergies?	No	Yes (please provide details below)
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<input type="text"/>

Do you take any medications?	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> (please provide details below)
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<input type="text"/>

Food requirements (Specify anything you CANNOT eat not you don't like to eat)	<input type="text"/>
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Any other details or requests? **	<input type="text"/>
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**HOMESTAY DETAILS

1. The Student Services Manager allocates homestays as they become available and will try to find a Homestay that matches your requests as closely as possible. However, no guarantee can be given that your requests can be met.
2. Homestays are situated within 30-40 minutes travel from the school on public transport. It is VERY unlikely that it will be possible to make Homestay arrangements within walking distance of the Murdoch University campus.
3. Homestays usually host two (2) or more students. It is regretted that we are unable to provide homestays that accommodate only one student.
4. Students who are under 18 years of age may not move from Homestay accommodation which has been arranged by the Institution.
5. Students who move themselves to non-approved accommodation will be in breach of Visa Condition 8532 and DIAC may cancel their student visa.

IT IS REGRETTED THAT WE ARE UNABLE TO MAKE ACCOMMODATION ARRANGEMENTS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS WHO ACCOMPANY STUDENTS TO PERTH

Please read the attached Homestay information carefully

If you have any questions about Homestay or Homestay rules, do not hesitate to contact the Student Services Manager, Lynda Ford at fordl@murdochcollege.wa.edu.au or by fax at + 61 8 9360 7801.

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ACCOMMODATION & GUARDIANSHIP INFORMATION

A. GUARDIANSHIP - STUDENTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Migration Regulations clause 560.225 and Public Interest Criterion 4012A state - before a Student Visa can be granted to a student who is under 18 years of age and who will not be accompanied by their parents during their intended stay in Australia, the Education Provider must give a signed statement to the Minister, confirming that arrangements have been made for the student's accommodation and welfare during their stay in Australia.

Students under the age of 18 years of age are required by Department of Immigration to live with a Guardian who must be either, a close relative who is of good character and over 21 years of age or with a guardian arranged by the Institution. We can only arrange for an approved Homestay Host who is registered with our institutions to be the Guardian.

Guardianship is not just a paper agreement. The guardian is responsible for the student's welfare and behaviour and is expected to take an active interest in their academic progress; in return students and their parents must respect the Guardian/Carer's authority.

B. HOMESTAY

Homestay is living in a private home as a member of the household. Normally students will have their own bedroom, and will share the other facilities in the house. Some hosts will provide Western style food only, while others will provide mainly Asian style food. Students who cannot eat western food are advised not to request to stay with Western homestay hosts.

Expected Behaviour

Living in homestay is not the same as living in a hotel – don't expect it to be and do not treat your homestay as if it were a hotel.

- Be respectful of your hosts, they are responsible for you, to your parents and the school.
- Be respectful of your hosts' home and property if something breaks or is not working tell them about it.
- Be respectful of your hosts' lifestyle and their routines i.e. mealtimes - you should make an effort to fit in with their arrangements.
- Do not expect to be allowed to entertain a member of the opposite sex in your bedroom.

Homestay Fee

Homestay fees cover the following: (NB after the first four weeks, students must pay their fees directly to the Homestay Host every 2 or 4 weeks in advance).

- Own room furnished with a bed, storage space, desk and study lamp;
- Average everyday usage of water, electricity and gas (personal heaters, fans etc cannot be used without the Host's permission and will incur an additional cost);
- Laundry facilities. (Homestay Hosts will either allow the student to use the laundry facilities themselves or they may agree to wash and iron the laundry for an additional fee of not more than \$20 per week.) Homestay hosts will usually wash the bed linen once a week;
- Breakfast - everyday;
- Lunch - weekends only;
- Dinner - everyday;
- Snacks - after school (fruit, noodles etc.);

Meals are varied, nutritious and served in sufficient quantities to meet the appetites of growing teenagers.

Homestay fees do not include:

- Use of heaters or fans or excessive amounts of laundry;
- Transportation to and from school or to and from the airport;
- Telephone calls or provision of computers or internet facilities.

Transferring Homestay

- The initial homestay arrangement is for 4 weeks. The student cannot transfer to another homestay within the first 4 weeks. If the student then wishes to change homestay they must give the homestay host 2 weeks notice and the student MUST consult with a Homestay Officer before making any arrangements. The student's parents are required to give their approval in writing for the student to move. The Homestay Officer will discuss the student's requirements and will take them to visit 2 or 3 homestays from which to make their choice. The Homestay Officer will also assist the student to move themselves and their belongings to the new Homestay. The Homestay Transfer fee of \$290 is payable EVERY time a student moves homestay.
- Students must ALWAYS give their Homestay Host two weeks notice of their intention to move or pay two weeks in lieu. Homestay Hosts may also give the student two weeks notice to move.
- Students who leave their homestay during holiday periods must pay up to 50% of the homestay fee each week to retain their room. This must be paid prior to departure for their holiday. (This includes the long Holiday at the end of the school year).
- During holiday periods Homestay Hosts may charge an additional \$5 per day for providing lunch (\$25 per week Monday - Friday)
- Underage students who wish to travel from the Homestay during holiday periods or over a weekend, MUST provide the Homestay Officer with their parent's written permission BEFORE they make their travel arrangements.
- Students are required to abide by the Murdoch College "Homestay Rules", copy attached.

C. WATER

- Western Australia has been subject to drought conditions for several years. We are all constantly being asked to restrict the amount of water that we use.
- Students should expect their host to ask them to restrict the time that they spend in the shower to between 5 – 10 minutes and to only "do laundry" when they have a full load.

D WHAT TO BRING

- Personal items – soap, toothpaste, deodorant etc;
- Clothes;
- An alarm clock;
- Bathers;
- A waterproof jacket/coat and an umbrella – when it does rain - it rains;
- Warm cloths for winter – Australians wear more clothes to combat the cooler days and do not necessarily use heaters;
- A shady hat and sunglasses for summer;
- Mementos from home – photographs – even a cuddly toy.

E. STUDENTS DO NOT NEED TO BRING

- Stocks of personal toiletries – most brands are available in Perth;
- Bed linen (Sheets and blankets);
- Pillows;
- Towels;
- Friends (You will make a lot of friends here).

F. INSURANCE

Please be aware that Homestay Hosts' House and Contents Insurance policies do not cover students' belongings. We have been unable to find an insurance company that will insure students' personal belongings. We therefore strongly suggest that you arrange suitable "Travel Insurance" to cover your son or daughter's personal effects, in particular computers, MP3 players and mobile phones. Please advise your son or daughter NOT to keep any amounts of money in their homestay – the ONLY safe place for money is in the bank.

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