



**AGSM @ UNSW Business School**

**International Exchange  
Fact Sheet 2024-2025**

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## About AGSM and UNSW

AGSM @ UNSW Business School has 45 years history of leadership in Australia, and our globally ranked MBA programs are taught by internationally recognised faculty with industry experience. AGSM students are immersed in active learning experiences and exposed to practical skills and tools they can immediately apply to real-world business problems.

The AGSM Full-Time MBA consistently ranks in the top 100 global MBA programs and in 2021 ranked 79<sup>th</sup> in the Financial Times UK Rankings and 35<sup>th</sup> in the QS Global MBA 2022 Rankings. It is one of the top full-time programs in Australia and is ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in the world for non-US two-year MBA programs according (Forbes biennial rankings 2019).

The University of New South Wales (UNSW Sydney) was established in 1949 and has over 59,000 students, including 7,000+ international students from 128+ countries. UNSW offers more than 300 undergraduate and 600 postgraduate programs and has developed an extensive network of alumni chapters throughout Asia, Europe and the US. The main UNSW campus is located on a 38-hectare site at Kensington, five kilometres from Bondi Beach and seven kilometres from the centre of Sydney.



## AGSM 2024-2025 Key Dates

AGSM nomination, application and term dates are in the table below. It is important to check whether these dates are compatible with your home program exchange and graduation timings.

| Important Dates                        | Term 3 2024                | Term 1 2025                     |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| School nomination deadline             | 12 May 2024 (or as agreed) | 1 September 2024 (or as agreed) |
| Student application due date           | 30 May 2024                | 29 September 2024               |
| Orientation: online / in-person events | 2 - 7 Sept 2024            | 3 - 8 Feb 2025 (TBC)            |
| Term duration                          | 9 Sept - 29 Dec 2024       | 10 Feb - 1 May 2025 (TBC)       |

## AGSM MBA Study Program

AGSM offers a variety of elective courses in the following subject disciplines: Sustainability, Finance, Statistics, Strategy, Social Impact, Organisational Behaviour, Operations Management and General Management.

### Course Enrolment

The enrolment period begins approximately two months before the beginning of a corresponding term. The Exchange Coordinator will update incoming students regarding course availability and will enrol incoming students in their courses. Some courses have limited spots, so students are required to provide the Exchange Coordinator with one back-up option.

### Study Load

A standard full-time load in the AGSM MBA equals three courses or 18 units of credit (UOC). Each elective course has 6UOC and 36 contact hours per term. Therefore, a standard full-time load is equivalent to 108 contact hours. Students studying on a student visa must maintain at least 18UOC during their term of study (more information regarding student visas below).

Exchange students may be required to undertake more than three standard AGSM MBA elective courses (maximum is four) to comply with their home institution's requirements. Exchange students will only be permitted to enrol in less than a full-time load at AGSM if their home institution specifies this requirement and if they meet their visa needs.

## Application Process for Incoming Exchange Students

Please see below a list of documents that must be submitted by the application due date for the term of study at AGSM.

| For students who choose to study on a student visa:  | For students who choose to study on a tourist visa:  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed application survey</li> <li>Copy of passport</li> <li>Headshot (jpeg/png)</li> <li>Updated CV*</li> <li>OSHC (details on page 4)</li> <li>IELTS or TOEFL if applicable**</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed application survey</li> <li>Copy of passport</li> <li>Headshot (jpeg/png)</li> <li>Updated CV*</li> <li>Health Insurance (details below)</li> <li>IELTS or TOEFL if applicable**</li> </ul> |

\*Minimum of 2 years' professional or management experience post completion of an undergraduate degree. In lieu of this, equivalent relevant experience may also be considered. \*Please check with your home school if you wish to be considered without the professional or management experience prerequisites.

\*\*For further information please refer to the Incoming Exchange Policy on our [International Study Options](#) site, found in the 'Joining AGSM on exchange' section.

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## Visa Information

Students will need to obtain a visa to study on the exchange program at AGSM. We recommend that students contact the Australian embassy nearest to them or search the [Department of Home Affairs: Immigration and Citizenship website](#) to determine which visa will best suit their individual needs and the steps required to complete the visa application.

### Student Visa

Exchange students intending to study on a student visa must purchase [Overseas Student Health Cover \(OSHC\)](#) prior to arriving in Australia and maintain OSHC for the entire time that they are in Australia. This is a student visa condition required by the Australian Government.

UNSW's preferred OSHC provider is: [Medibank Private](#). For further information about other OSHC providers, please refer to the Fact Sheet on the [Department of Health website](#).

### Tourist Visa

Please note that students on tourist visas are not eligible to purchase the compulsory Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC), however you must obtain travel insurance with an alternate insurance provider. This link may help: <http://www.iselect.com.au/overseas-visitors-cover/>

### Working Holiday Visa

For students under the age of 30 and holder of a specific passport (noted on the site), the [Working Holiday visa](#) may be an option. As for the tourist visa you must have travel insurance.

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## Expected Arrival Date

Please confirm the term dates and expected arrival dates with the AGSM Exchange Coordinator **before** booking your flights. Once you have made your travel arrangements, please advise AGSM of your arrival date.

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## Accommodation and Living Expenses

AGSM does not provide accommodation for students. Students should be aware that housing and living costs will vary considerably depending on whether students join shared accommodation or establish their own accommodation.

Please see a rough guideline for budgeting purposes below (the costs identified below are indicative only and will vary according to location and individual needs):

| Weekly cost (AUD)               | Shared house or flat | One-bedroom unit | On campus (college) |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Rent                            | A\$200–A\$300        | A\$400–A\$550    | A\$445              |
| Internet and phone              | A\$20–A\$55          | A\$20–A\$55      | \$0                 |
| Food (groceries and eating out) | A\$80–A\$200         | A\$80–A\$200     | \$0                 |
| Gas and electricity             | A\$35–A\$140         | A\$35–A\$140     | \$0                 |
| Transport to uni                | A\$40                | A\$40            | \$0                 |
| <b>Average weekly cost</b>      | <b>A\$476.50</b>     | <b>A\$701.50</b> | <b>A\$445</b>       |
| <b>Total annual cost</b>        | <b>A\$24,778</b>     | <b>A\$36,478</b> | <b>A\$23,140</b>    |

[More information on living costs can be found here](#)

Please note that students should also consider the additional costs involved in establishing their accommodation. As new tenants, students are likely to be required to pay a bond, usually of one month's rent, but at the very least two week's rent, in advance.

In most instances, students will also be responsible for paying connection fees associated with the establishment of gas, telephone and electricity service. Most Sydney apartments are unfurnished, so students should also budget for the purchase of essential household items (furniture, linen, kitchen utensils, etc.)

Occasionally the [UNSW Student Accommodation service](#) may have some short-term and private furnished rental options. It's also a good idea join UNSW and AGSM Student Facebook groups to enquire about housing.

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## Career Accelerator @ AGSM

### Career Resources

Career Accelerator @ AGSM offers support and guidance to equip students with the career development skills and industry networks to achieve their career goals. CA provides a wide range of online tools and resources covering topics including case interview practice, strategic networking, job search strategy, interview techniques, and salary negotiations.

### Recruitment

CA develops and maintains strong relationships with industry, and through our extensive industry partner network we provide opportunities for students and alumni to meet, learn from and work with Australia's top companies and global organisations.

### Workshops and Events

Throughout the year there are workshops and events available to students, further accompanied by AGSM Student Association (ASA) events and activities. These CA and ASA events include case practice, career development workshops, industry primers, networking and social events.

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## Support while you're at AGSM @ UNSW Business School

The AGSM Student Experience team is your point of contact for all questions, and we aim to help you however we can. In addition, there are a rich variety of supports offered by UNSW:

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|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Accommodation</b> | <b>Financial Matters</b> | <b>Study concerns</b> | <b>Health and wellbeing</b> | <b>Relationships</b> |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|

For assistance with any of the above please refer to the [UNSW Student Support and Development website](#).

### International Student Services

UNSW's [International Student Experience](#) unit provides a range of services and programs to help international students succeed in their studies and adapt to life in Australia

### Academic Skills Support

[The Academic Skills Support service](#) provides a wide range of academic support services to students enrolled in AGSM Programs. All services are free, and individual consultations are completely confidential.

Continually improving your language and communication skills is essential for your success at university and in the workplace. Browse the activities and resources in UNSW's [English Language Success](#) page, or book a one-on-one appointment with an [Academic Learning Facilitator](#).

### Counselling and Psychological Services

[The Counselling Service](#) provides confidential consultations to students about a range of issues such as planning and decision making, problem-solving, social and emotional development and dealing with grievances.

### University Health Service

[The University Health Service](#) provides a full general practice and physiotherapy service. International students covered by Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) will be charged a small fee to be paid at the time of consultation. Refunds can be claimed from the provider. When visiting a doctor, you must pay for the services at the time of consultation.

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## Useful Contacts and websites

[AGSM Student Experience](#)

[AGSM Programs](#)

[AGSM Website](#)

[AGSM Timetables and key dates](#)

[AGSM Exchange Page](#)

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