

The statement of purpose should be identical to the statement you intend to lodge with your student visa application with the Department of Home Affairs (DHA). You may be asked to provide similar information during an interview with an ACU representative or DHA.

Please ensure you address the following questions in details and attach the statement of purpose to this GTE questionnaire or your ACU application. If you have any question about this Statement of Purpose, please contact ACU International via email [international.gte.acu.edu.au](mailto:international.gte.acu.edu.au)

## 1. APPLICANT PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Provide a self-introduction and include brief information of your immediate family members and their profession.
- If married, please provide details of spouse, their education qualifications, work experience and date of marriage.
- Provide information relating to academic achievement: starting from Year 10 to the highest qualification undertaken, mentioning date, month and year of commencement and completion and detailed information of work experience including date, month and year of commencement and completion (if applicable).
- If there are any gaps please explain the reason for the gap (including employment gaps or study gaps/delays due to COVID-19) and what you are doing during that time.

## 2. WHY HAVE YOU CHOSEN TO STUDY IN AUSTRALIA? This question does not apply to onshore applicants.

- If a similar course is available in your country, why do you choose to study in Australia instead? Please show the research you have undertaken (including providing the name of courses and at least two institutions you have compared. Please provide the source(s) of your research (such as website links, education fairs, etc)
- Why do you choose Australia compared to other countries? Please show the research you have undertaken to support your decision, and provide the source(s) of your research (such as website links, education fairs, etc).

## 3. WHY HAVE YOU CHOSEN AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (ACU)?

- What other Australian universities have you looked into during your research and how did you decide on choosing ACU? Please provide the name of at least two Australian institutions that you have researched.
- What aspects have you compared when choosing ACU over other universities? Please demonstrate the research you have undertaken and provide at least two factors, including at least one academic factor, you have considered when comparing with ACU. Please provide the source(s) of your research (such as website links, education fairs, etc).
- Onshore applicants should also explain the reasons for changing from other provider(s) to ACU.

## 4. WHY HAVE YOU CHOSEN THE PROPOSED COURSE OF STUDY?

- Briefly explain the structure and content of your proposed course(s).
- Which features of the proposed course attracted you to the ACU program instead of programs at other universities.
- Onshore applicants applying for change of field of studies/lower AQF level course must give reason for the change and explain new study plan. And if there are any academic progression issues please describe your plan to address these issues.

## 5. HOW IS YOUR PROPOSED COURSE OF STUDY RELEVANT TO YOUR EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT HISTORY?

- Describe your education/employment history.
- Explain whether or not your education/employment history is related to your proposed course. If not, give an explanation for your change.
- Explain how the proposed course is beneficial to your education goals and is going to help you advance your future career.
- Explain any gaps in your education/employment history. Please attach documentary evidence where possible.

## 6. WHAT IS YOUR EXPECTED CAREER OUTCOME UPON COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED COURSE(S)?

- Upon return to your home country, explain what employment you plan to undertake once you have completed the proposed course. Identify specific positions you plan to apply for, employers, and your expected salary. Please show the research (and provide sources) to demonstrate the qualifications you are seeking will provide you with a return on investment.

## 7. TIES TO HOME COUNTRY OR COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE.

- Describe your economic, personal and social ties to your home country and explain your incentives for returning home.

## 8. LIST DETAILS OF ANY IMMIGRATION OR CRIMINAL HISTORY.

- Provide supporting documentation.
- If you or your dependents have had a visa refusal for Australia or any other country please provide details of the refusal.

## 9. ADDRESS OTHER ISSUES THAT MAY IMPACT ON YOUR STUDENT VISA APPLICATION SUCH AS:

- Political and economic issues in home country.
- Ties if any to Australia (eg any relatives, business, assets).
- Disclose any exceptional circumstances related to you (or your spouse, if relevant) that may impact on your student visa profile and how any unique case specific issues have been positively resolved or addressed by you.

## 10. PLEASE LIST THE STUDENT VISA CONDITIONS THAT YOU MUST SATISFY WHILST YOU ARE STUDYING ON A STUDENT VISA IN AUSTRALIA.