

# Statement of Purpose (SOP)

Applicant's name		Course	
Date of birth		Campus location	
Citizenship		Intake	
Marital status		Date SOP written	

## IMPORTANT

The applicant (you) will need to address each of the criteria listed as authentically as possible. The SOP forms part of your complete application for admission to USC. If the application is approved by USC, the approved SOP must be supplied to the Department of Home Affairs (DoHA) by the student/agent at the point of Student visa application, to assist the applicant in demonstrating that they will be able to satisfy the Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) requirement.

## USC REQUIREMENTS

1. Prior to writing the SOP you must have read and understood:
  - o DoHA's Student visa requirements, including that of [being a GTE](#)
  - o Ministerial Direction 69, which sets out key factors DoHA considers when assessing the GTE requirement
2. SOPs must be typed by the applicant
3. SOPs must address all criteria outlined below
4. SOPs must be a maximum of three A4 pages with a font size of at least 12

## CRITERIA

**The SOP must address all of the following criteria:**

- the USC program and campus/location you have applied for and why
- the research you have conducted into studying in Australia instead of studying in your home country and elsewhere
- a brief outline of your education history and the relevance it has
  - to your selected academic program
  - to your future career plans
- your expected return on investment, that is how you expect your future employment circumstances and remuneration levels to improve upon successful completion of your chosen USC program
  - include reference to a current advertised position in your chosen field, e.g. newspaper article
  - include how you expect your career progression to benefit in the long term
- your planned living arrangements while studying at USC, including the suburbs you have researched, the type of accommodation, the expected rental costs, and where you found this information
- a brief outline of how you plan to cover your tuition and living expenses with reference to your USC Summary of Funds document
- your personal ties to your home country
  - include authentic reasons for returning to your home country after you complete your studies

**If applicable, the SOP must:**

- clearly explain any gaps of one year or more in your academic and/or employment history
- outline your and/or your spouse's immigration history and provide evidence of any previous international travel undertaken
  - including associated visa grants for any country, and state whether you complied with the specific conditions of each visa
  - disclose any previous visa refusals or cancellations you and/or your spouse have received for any country

## DECLARATION

By completing and submitting this SOP, I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby declare that the information provided below, which has been supplied in support of my application for admission to assist me to demonstrate that I satisfy the GTE requirement, has been completed by me and in my own words, and is a true and correct account. I understand that I must provide evidence to support any claims made in this SOP and that if any incorrect, misleading or non-genuine information is found, my application will be refused.

## RESPONSE TO CRITERIA





## SUMMARY OF YOUR RESEARCH

Summarise the research you have conducted into other study options available to you.

Country	Institution & course	Why did you not choose this option?
My home country		
My home country		
My home country		
Australia		
Australia		
Australia		
Other country:		
Other country:		
Other country:		