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BRISBANE, GOLD COAST & SYDNEY



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# Study Tour

# University Research

# 2026



**Shafston** has developed specialised academic and cultural programs designed for students who wish to use overseas study tours or short-term international experiences as a way to strengthen their academic profile, broaden their global knowledge, and prepare for future career pathways. These programs not only provide students with valuable exposure to world-class education in Australia, but also offer opportunities to engage in hands-on learning, experience real university environments, and build achievements that will enhance their future school and university applications. By combining academic enrichment with cultural immersion, Shafston ensures that every student gains confidence, international perspective, and the skills needed to succeed in an increasingly globalised world.



# University Exploration Program

The University Exploration Program gives students an immersive introduction to Australia's leading higher education institutions through campus visits and one-day or half-day workshops. Students gain insight into a variety of academic disciplines and experience university life firsthand. During the workshops, students engage in hands-on learning, participate in interactive sessions, and explore real university environments that support planning for future study pathways. The program also offers the opportunity to earn a Certificate of Completion from selected courses, providing tangible achievements to strengthen school and university applications.

## Standard Duration:

Within 1 week  
(Multiple cities option available)

## Age Range:

12+ years old

## Available Term:

Aligned with selected university  
teaching terms

## University Workshop:

Customised themes available

## Shafston Course Content:

English and skills-related courses availableuniversity teaching terms

### Firsthand University Experience

Students explore real campuses and gain exposure to world-class facilities, helping them visualise future study pathways.

### Interactive & Customised Learning

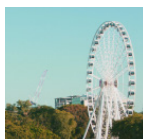
Hands-on workshops with tailored themes provide engaging, practical insights across a variety of academic fields.

### Multi-City Flexibility

Participants may choose one, two, or all three cities to visit within a single program.

### Sample Itinerary - 3 days & 7 days

Sydney	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Hotel		
8:30 AM - 12:45 PM	3-Hour Morning Class  (Including 1.25 hours break)	3-Hour Morning Class  (Including 1.25 hours break)	University of Sydney Master Class workshop + Graduation Ceremony
12:45 PM - 4:30 PM	University Visit: University of New South Wales	University Visit: UTS	
4:30 - 6:00 PM	Hotel		

Brisbane	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Time	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7:30 - 8:30 AM	<div>Arrival Day</div> <div>Airport Pick-up + Welcome Orientation + Campus Tour + Ice breaking Activity + Refreshment</div> <div></div>	Homestay drop-off					<div>Departure Day</div> <div>Pre-departure activity &amp; Airport Drop-off</div>
8:30 AM - 12:45 PM		<div>3-Hour Morning Class</div> <div>(Including 1.25 hours break)</div>	<div>3-Hour Morning Class</div> <div>(Including 1.25 hours break)</div>	<div>University of Queensland Master Class Workshop</div>	<div>University Visit: Griffith Universtiy</div>	<div>University Visit: Bond University</div>	
12:45 - 3:15PM		<div>2-Hour Afternoon Class</div> <div>(Including 30 minutes break)</div>	<div>Brisbane City Tour</div>		<div>University Visit: QUT</div>	<div>Gold Coast Harbour Town Shopping</div>	
3:15 - 4:30PM		<div>Speech Class</div>					
4:30 - 6:00PM		Homestay pick-up					



# Shafston Research Program

The Shafston Research Program is a unique academic journey that combines structured online preparation with immersive, hands-on research in Australia. It is carefully designed to develop students' critical thinking, strengthen teamwork and collaboration skills, and enrich their academic portfolio with meaningful international experience.

## Standard Duration:

4 weeks (Online) + 11 Days (Australia)

## Group Size:

Minimum 15 students (3 – 5 students in a group)

## Available Term:

Aligned with selected university teaching terms

## Shafston Course Content:

Based on Research Theme

## Age Range:

12+ years old

### Process:

#### STEP 1

GROUPING & SELECT RESEARCH TOPIC

#### STEP 2

4 WEEKS – ONLINE PRE-COURSE (1HR/WEEK)

#### STEP 3

11-DAY PROGRAM IN AUSTRALIA

#### STEP 4

PROGRAM OUTCOME & PRESENTATION

### Sample Research Theme Topic

#### Renewable Energy & Future Cities:

Solar, wind, and smart grids in urban sustainability

#### Smart Transportation & Sustainable Mobility:

EVs, autonomous vehicles, and carbon reduction in city design

#### Agricultural & Food Tech Innovation

Vertical farming, AI in agriculture, and Australia's future farming models

#### Health Tech & Future Medicine:

Wearable devices, big data, and improving healthcare in an aging society

#### Marine & Environmental Protection:

Ocean monitoring, recycling technologies, and plastic waste reduction





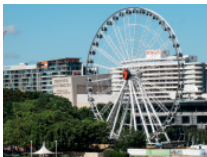


# Sample Shafston Research Timetable




(Theme Marine & Environmental Protection )

## 4 weeks online workshop – Sample

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Friday	Friday	Friday	Friday
<b>1 Hour Online Workshop</b> Welcome session, group formation, topic allocation, introduction to research methods and teamwork	<b>1 Hour Online Workshop</b> Group presentations of initial ideas, feedback from mentors, and supplementary learning resources	<b>1 Hour Online Workshop</b> Q&A, guidance on data collection, research methods, and troubleshooting challenges	<b>1 Hour Online Workshop</b> Mid-term online presentation, defining research tasks and presentation goals for the Australia trip

## 11 days pogram in Australia – Sample

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Time	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
7:30 - 8:30 AM	<div>Arrival Day</div> <div>Airport Pick-up + Welcome Orientation + Campus Tour + Ice breaking Activity + Refreshment</div> <div></div>	Homestay drop-off			
8:30 AM - 12:45 PM		<div>3-Hour Morning Class - themed lecture</div> <div>(Including break)</div>	<div>3-Hour Morning Class - themed lecture</div> <div>(Including break)</div>	<div>3-Hour Morning Class - themed lecture</div> <div>(Including break)</div>	<div>University of Queensland Master Class Workshop:</div> <div>Marine &amp; Environmental Protection Topic</div>
12:45 - 4:30PM		<div>Brisbane City Tour</div> <div></div>	<div>University Visit: QUT</div>	<div>Nydgee Beach Environmental Education Centre Visit</div>	<div></div>
4:30 - 6:00PM	Homestay pick-up				

	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day 11
Time	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Homestay drop-off					<div>Departure Day</div> <div>Pre-departure activity &amp; Airport Drop-off</div> 
8:30 AM - 12:45 PM	<div>University of Queensland Master Class Workshop:</div> <div>Marine &amp; Environmental Protection Topic</div> 	<div>Brisbane Beach Cleaning Volunteer Project</div> 	<div>Self-Study: In-depth group research and preparation for presentations</div>	<div>3-Hour Morning Class - themed lecture</div> <div>(Including break)</div>	<div>Final group research presentation at UQ &amp; Graduation Ceremony &amp; awarding of certification</div>	
12:45 - 4:30PM				<div>3-Hour Afternoon Class - Presentation Skills</div> <div>(Including break)</div>		
4:30 - 6:00PM	Homestay pick-up					

# Shafston Certificate

## University Exploration Program Certificate



## Shafston Research Program Certificate





# Universities

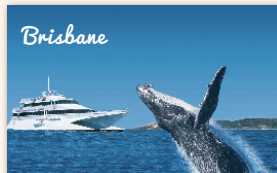


## Weekend extra activities for families - Third Party Examples

### Around Brisbane & Sydney



Story Bridge Adventure Climb  
650 booked ★★★★★



Tangalooma Island Resort Day Trip  
1200 booked ★★★★★



Australia Zoo Admission  
863 booked ★★★★★



Gold Coast Nature & Wildlife Tour  
550 booked ★★★★★



Riverlife Adventure Brisbane  
340 booked ★★★★★



Beach Landing Tandem Skydive  
880 booked ★★★★★



iFLY Downunder Indoor Skydiving  
330 booked ★★★★★



Sydney Harbour Oz Jet Boating  
Shark Attack Thrill Ride  
650 booked ★★★★★



Hot Air Balloon Sunrise Flight  
890 booked ★★★★★



Helicopter Flight over Harbour  
536 booked ★★★★★



The Showboat Classic Dinner Cruise  
498 booked ★★★★★



Hunter Valley Boutique Wine Tour  
880 booked ★★★★★

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