

# Genuine Student (GS) Form

**Student Given Name(s)**

**Student Surname**

**Date of Birth** (DD/MM/YYYY)

**ECC Student number** (if known)

## What is GS?

The Government has replaced the Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) requirement for student visas with a Genuine Student (GS) requirement. This is effective for student visa applications lodged on and after 23 March 2024.

All applicants for a student visa must be a genuine applicant for entry. They must stay as a student and be able to show an understanding that studying in Australia is the primary reason of their student visa. To be granted a student visa, all applicants must demonstrate they satisfy the genuine student criterion or the genuine student dependent criterion. More information regarding the [Genuine student](#) requirement is available on the [Department of Home Affairs](#).

International students applying to ECC must be genuine in their intention to study, must comply with visa requirements, must successfully complete their course at ECC and enrol into their degree at ECU.

**Please use the guidelines below for your GS criterion and ensure that your GS criterion is completed by yourself. You must limit the response to each question below to a maximum of 150 words only and provide evidence of any claims made in the statements below. Please refer to the [Genuine Student](#) requirement criteria provided by the Department of Home Affairs when responding to the above questions.**

1. Provide details of your current circumstances. This includes ties to family, community, employment and economic circumstances (150 words or less)

2. Explain why you wish to study this course in Australia with this particular education provider. This must also explain your understanding of the requirements of the intended course and studying and living in Australia (150 words or less)

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3. Explain how completing the course will be of benefit to you (150 words or less)

4. Give details of any other relevant information you would like to include (150 words or less)

Additional questions for applicants who currently hold an Australian visa (e.g.: a student/tourist visa)

5. Give details of any other relevant information you would like to include (150 words or less)

6. If currently holding any other type of visa: Please explain why you did not originally apply for a student visa (150 words or less)

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## Living Arrangement and Family

ECC will also consider your ties to your home country and planned living arrangements in Australia. To assist with this you'll need to provide details of your dependents and any relatives in Australia below.

What is your relationship Status?                      Single                      Married                      Divorced/Separated

If married, please state the date of your marriage                      DD/MM/YYYY (provide marriage certificate)

If married, will your spouse accompany you to Australia or join you later?                      Yes                      No

Do you have children (including step-children)?                      Yes                      No

If yes, will your children accompany you to Australia or join you later?                      Yes                      No

If yes, what is their dates of birth?

Name of Child	Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

Do you have any family members in Australia?                      Yes (please provide further details below)                      No

Name of Relative	Family relationship e.g. Aunt, Sister, brother, cousin etc	City of residence in Australia	Current visa status and occupation

## Financial Capacity

ECC will need to confirm that you have sufficient funds to cover the tuition fees for your proposed study together with travel and living costs for you and your accompanying family members. We will need you to confirm your source of funds at application stage and we may validate this later and request supporting evidence as part of our assessment or offer acceptance process. to provide details of your dependents and any relatives in Australia below.

Private Sponsorship                      Personal Loan / Education  
Scholarship                      Loan Personal income  
Other (please explain below)

## Document Checklist

Please see below the document checklist that needs to be provided with your application.

Passport (*ensure this includes the first and last pages*)

Valid English language proficiency test (*within 2 years of proposed commencement*)(*if applicable*)

Documents to validate relationship status, *e.g. Marriage Certificate* (*if applicable*)

Copies of previous visa grants/refusals for you and your spouse (*if applicable*)

Secondary/High School Education (*provide results and marksheets*)

Copies of documents for visa cancellations or deportations for you and your spouse (*if applicable*)

Explanation for gaps in academic activities (*Provide evidence if you have*)

Evidence of previous work experience (*appointment letter, salary evidence*)(*if applicable*)Higher Education (*transcripts, marksheets, degree diplomas*)(*if applicable*)

Confirmed physical address, telephone and email contact details

CV/Resume and documents to support employment offers post-study (*if available*)

## Declaration

I declare that I have done my research and that I am the one who has answered the above questions.

I understand what it means to be a genuine student for the purposes of studying in Australia.

I have read, understand and commit to comply with student visa conditions and to notify the Department of Home Affairs of any changes to their circumstances.

I understand that while post-study pathways to permanent migration are available, only a limited number of graduates will be eligible and those who are unable to remain lawfully in Australia must depart Australia.

### Student details:

Student Given Name(s)

Student Surname

Student Signature

Date of signature

Parents Name and signature if student is under 18

Date of signature

### ECC Agent/Representative details:

Name of Agency

Name of representative

Position of representative

Representative Signature

Date of signature