INFORUM EDUCATION

AUSTRALIA





College Guide

Mission Statement

The mission of Inforum Education Australia is to deliver an innovative, superior quality international language and culture experience for our clients. This is achieved by:

- Providing innovative, professional and enjoyable language solutions that exceed the expectations of our students.
- Delivering service excellence to our customers.
- Fostering closer links between our students and Australians by providing maximum opportunities for them to work in, and integrate into the local community.
- Delivering a range of quality, value for money accommodation solutions.
- Valuing diversity by recruiting clients from a wide range of countries and cultures.
- Inspiring and empowering employees through professional development and providing opportunities to innovate.

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This is why Inforum is special!

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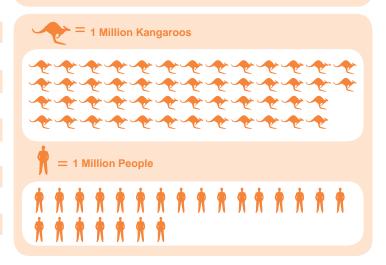
Compare Australia to your country

Area	Population
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Australia

We have 23 million people, 50 million kangaroos and lots of unique animals and plants.

Aussies love surfing, scuba diving, football, sky diving, beach BBQs, hiking (we say "bush walking"), lying on the beach, big blue skies, camping under the stars, drinking beer and wine, and almost anything you can do outside (and with friends!)



Gold Coast

Beaches, Hinterland and Cities

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Wild Animals













Bushwalking

Gold Coast 600 Car Race

Koalas & other native animals







Did you know that if you turn the Inforum logo on its side it makes the shape of Austalia?

Southport

Education, Law, Medical Hub of the Gold Coast - serious studying away from tourists

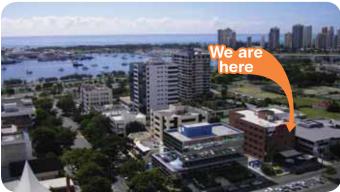






Don't forget to buy a Go Card it's cheaper! Check the price from INFORUM! Southport is Zone 13

One way	Cash	GoCard	GoCard off peak				
Surfers Paradise	\$5.20	\$3.58	\$2.87				
Homestay	\$5.20	\$3.58	\$2.87				
Gold Coast Airport	\$8.90	\$6.09	\$4.88				
Brisbane Airport	\$34.90	\$28.87	\$26.21				
Burleigh Heads	\$7.00	\$4.77	\$3.82				
Currumbin	\$7.90	\$5.43	\$4.35				
*Off peak hour: 9am-3:30pm, 7pm - 2am, all day weekends							









Southport





Take from Japan "I like the library. I can read, study, borrow books and DVDs, and use the free WiFi."







Supermarket



Student Residence



Many restaurants

Seven Eleven



4 Seven Eleven 4 Food Court

Look inside Inforum

Where great things happen!

Classrooms Bright, modern classrooms. Studying can also be fun!













Student Lounge

Eat lunch, use the computers, watch a DVD or just relax with friends.









√ Free WiFi!

- ✓ Free use of computers and DVDs!
- ✓ Inforum Cafe for great, cheap coffee!
- ✓ Kitchen for lunch!
- ✓ Filtered water for everyone!



Reception
You will receive a
friendly welcome from
our reception staff!



Inforum Café
Study Barista and practise at our
Inforum student coffee stand!

Gisele from Brazil:
"I love making my signature coffee, Brigadeiro coffee, for everyone! Please come and try!"

Computers for students

Many languages available.



The Inforum Team

The secret of our success!



Simon, Managing Director

Has taught English in Portugal, England, Turkey, Japan and Australia. Completed MBA.

"An English school should do two very important things: give students fantastic lessons and be like a family - Inforum is your family in Australia."



Jun, Administration DirectorVery kind student counselor
"Let's laugh, cry and smile together!"



Jimmy, Academic Manager
"I studied Japanese and am studying
French language now so I know how you
feel learning English, so I can help you!"



Diana, Accommodation Manager "You will love our homestay families. I carefully choose them myself!



Soleane, Student Services
"It's a pleasure answering all your
questions. Don't be shy! Come and ask
me!"



Inforum staff

- The most professional, friendly team on the Gold Coast.
- All qualified, native English speakers.



Inforum's Homestay Families

 All chosen by Diana - kind, friendly, clean and caring!



Inforum's Students

Don't forget! Students are a very important part of the Inforum Team!

- 80 120 students from more than 15 countries.
- Average nationality mix:
 Japan 30%, South America 25%
 (Brazil, Venezuela, Chile, Colombia),
 Korea 10%, Europe 30% (Spain,
 France, Czech Rep, Hungary, Poland,
 Russia, etc), and others 5%.



Student Committee

"We are Inforum students, too and we will help you with anything we can from our experience!"

- Helping students with their day-to-day requests
- · Organising fabulous activities.

- All staff are qualified, native English speakers!
- ✓ Many years experience!
- ✓ Very friendly and professional!
- ✓ Less than 150 students so we know your name!

Great Courses

English Language Course Summary

Course Name	Length of enrolment	Hours per week	Start date
General English	1-50 weeks	4.5 hours/day, Mon-Thu + 2 hours on Fri	Any Monday (Check page 20 for the preferred start date)
Advanced Master Class in English	1 - 12 weeks 20 hrs/wk + Free 5 hrs Exam Skills Options*	5 hours/day, Mon-Thu +5 hrs Exam Skills Options*, Friday	As above
IELTS Exam Preparation (Advanced level)	5 - 20 weeks 20 hrs/wk	5 hours/day, Mon-Thu	As above
Workshops	1 lesson or more 1 – 5 hrs/wk	1 hour each, Mon-Fri	Your first week at Inforum.

^{*}Free Exam Skills Options classes are held each Friday for 5 hours and include the Exam Reading and Writing Workshop.

Level	Indication of Entry Point
Elementary	You have studied English for less than a year (90 days in total.)
Pre-Intermediate	You studied English at high school, have a basic knowledge of grammar and some conversation skills.
Intermediate	IELTS 3.5, TOEIC 500, TOEFL 400
Upper-Intermediate	IELTS 4.0, TOEIC 600, TOEFL 430
IELTS 5.5~7.5	Satisfactory result on placement test or successful completion of Inforum's Upper-Intermediate class (approximate entry point IELTS 4.5~5.0, TOEIC 650~700,
Advanced Master Class in English	TOEFL 460~500)

eneral English

Including Focus Classes





- ✓ Max class size: 16 students (average 13)
- ✓ Elementary to Advanced level
- Student counseling with your teacher every 6 weeks.
- ✓ Level-up test available every 2 weeks



General English

Afternoon Focus Class details

Level		Focus Class	Description
Elementary	\rightarrow	Conversation 1	Practise basic day-to-day conversation.Learn important vocabulary for living in Australia.
Pre-Intermediate	\rightarrow	Conversation 2	Practise and extend your day-to-day conversation skills.Learn other important vocabulary for conversations with Australians.
Intermediate	\rightarrow	TOEIC Plus	 Improve your grammar and presentation skills. Focus on listening, reading, writing and speaking for business. Learn and apply important vocabulary. Practise exam-taking skills.
Upper Intermediate	\rightarrow	International Business and Current Affairs	 Focus on important business issues including marketing, conducting meetings, business communication and presentations. Upper level conversation focus about news from the last 24 hours and the stories everyone's talking about.
Advanced IELTS Exam Preparation Advanced Master Class in English	\rightarrow	Advanced exam practice	e and communication skills. (Please see p12 for details.)

Classes can start at different times. Earliest starting time:

Upper Intermediate: 8:30 - 14:10

Latest starting time: Elementary: 10:00 - 15:40



Sample Intermediate General English Timetable (Textbook: Total English)

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
8:50-10:20	Lead-in: Talking about houses and neighbourhoods Vocabulary: Lifestyles Reading & Speaking: Exchanging homes Listening 1: Home exchange	Listening & Speaking Song: "Homeward Bound" Vocabulary Adjectives for describing cities Reading: Top Cities	Vocabulary Compound nouns Speaking Talking about items you have in your home	Vocabulary Prefixes and suffixes Communication (Listening & Speaking) Living in your dream house	8:30 – 10:30 Friday Forum /		
10:20-10:30		Bre	eak		10:45 – 11:45		
10:30-12:00	Grammar: Talking about the future: going to; will. Listening 2: Problems during home exchanges Reading & Speaking: Letter of complaint Writing: Write a letter of complaint	Listening: Survey about cities Grammar: Comparatives and superlatives Speaking: Giving reasons for interests	Speaking Making predictions about the future Speaking and Listening Telephone language; practise making a formal phone call	"City or Country" Descriptions of properties; discussing speaker's ideas about living in the city / country Review and practice Review of grammar and vocabulary	Guest Speaker (on guest speaker's day)		
12:00-13:00	Lunch						
13:00-14:30	Focus Class	Focus Class	Focus Class	Focus Class			
15:00-16:00		Free	Workshops				

General English

Focus Class Highlights

What's special about Inforum's Focus Classes?



Conversation 1

Essential conversation practice!



Conversation 2

Go shopping in Southport!



TOEIC Plus

Learn about Gold Coast business and the environment – research and debate the issues.



International Business and Current Affairs

Visit and study a 5-star hotel then give a presentation!



orkshops

They're free, fun and will help you get a job too

Study an extra 1 – 5 hours per week

	Workshop Name	Level	Day	Time	Description
	Language Lifesavers	Elementary to Low Pre-Intermediate	Monday	4pm – 5pm	A great class to help you really understand those tricky grammar and vocabulary questions.
	Pronunciation	Pre-Intermediate to Advanced	Tuesday	3pm – 4pm	Learn the secrets of English pronunciation from Simon and practise in a class with your friends.
Job skills program	Work Ready	Pre-Intermediate to Advanced	Wednesday	3pm – 4pm	Make your perfect resumeApply for a tax file numberPractise job interview skillsUnderstand job advertisements
Job	Hospitality English	Pre-Intermediate to Advanced	Thursday	3pm – 4pm	Understand menusTake ordersTake telephone bookingsDeal with difficult customers
	Exam Reading and Writing	Upper Intermediate to Advanced	Friday	1pm – 2pm	 Learn important skills for taking exams, such as skimming and scanning. Learn the common mistakes students make and maximise your score.

Advanced Master Class in English

Inforum's own intensive Advanced-level program for high achievers

Achieve Advanced level English targeting high level scores for IELTS, Cambridge FCE and other exams.

- Quickly improve reading, writing, listening and speaking skills.
- 20 hours a week + 5 hours of FREE Exam Skills Options each Friday.
- Comprehensive reading program to improve vocabulary.





IELTS Exam Preparation Course

For those wanting to stay in Australia or advance to higher education

The IELTS exam is the most widely-accepted English language test in Australia.

- Improve your Academic or General English skill quickly
- Maximise your IELTS score.
- Take an Inforum pathway to TAFE or University

Achievement indication when starting from IELTS 4.5-5.0 level

- Study IELTS 10 weeks your goal is 5.5/ 6.0 (Certificate and Diploma Programs)
- Study IELTS 20 weeks your goal is 6.0/6.5 (University Degree Programs)

Advanced course highlights

- Average class size 12 students.
- 3 full practice exams in Weeks 4, 8, 12 (IELTS or Cambridge FCE).
- Mini-presentations improve confidence in speaking.
- Designed and taught by Inforum's exam specialist teachers.



100% pass rate on the FCE exam for Master Class students!



"I studied Master Class to prepare for the FCE test and I passed it! All the teachers at Inforum are fantastic!"

Catherine, France

IELTS students can achieve IELTS 8.0!



"At first, it was really challenging for me but at the end of the course I could get the IELTS score of 8.0!! All the staff are very kind and helpful."

Hisako, Japan

Pathways

Study Inforum's Advanced level courses and enter the universities and colleges below without taking an IELTS exam!

Our IELTS and Advanced Master Class courses will lead you directly to Australian universities and colleges! If you are interested in studying a specialist field, you might like to use our Pathway to the following institutes:

Gold Coast and nearby universities and colleges:

















Teenagers' Programs

Delivered with Inforum's homelike care



Ages: 9 (Year 4) - 18

Students aged between 9 and 12 (primary school age) have to be accompanied by an adult only while on plane.

Classes: Closed classes for age 15 or below. Mixed class for ages between 16-18 except for when academic managers suggest otherwise.

Min. Enrolment: 1 week or more

Preferred arrival date: Saturday or Sunday. If a student wishes to start in the middle of the week, we are happy to accept the student at full one week fee for that week.

- ✓ Small school = homelike care
- ✓ Very kind homestay families
- ✓ Beautiful beaches
- ✓ Fun English lessons and activities
- ✓ Eco Study
- ✓ Free overseas telephone card

Fridays = Forum Session + Guest Speaker Session (once a month) + Activities!

A great way to end the week

Guest Speaker Sessions

Every month, we have different guest speakers come to the school to talk about their lives and professions. Our guests include Olympians, migration agents, police officers, environmental scientists, flight attendants, stockbrokers, aborigines, dancers, marine biologists, scuba diving instructors and many more!



Cody and Cameron Cameron (captain) and

Cameron (captain) and Cody are members of Australia's Gold Medal winning Wheelchair Rugby Team. The guys are back from the London Paralympic Games and happily share their inspiring stories with us.

Friday Forum Session

- ✓ Every Friday, 8:30-10:30
- √ Two hours of up to 4 mini-lessons to review what you have studied during the week – you help choose the topics!
- Student counseling in Weeks 6, 12 after school examinations

Divers from Devocean

Peter talks about the latest equipment which makes everyone's diving experience much easier and safer.





Myee, our local police prosecutor

She can be very hard on criminals but believe it or not, she is one of our kindest and friendliest Inforum host mothers!



Emma talks about the unique animals and plants in the Gold Coast's beautiful national parks.





Guide dog trainer.

Spencer is being trained to be a guide dog.



Chloe

Commonwealth Games gold medal winner (gymnastics). Chloe has a special diet... lollies and coffee!



Surf Life Saving Australia





Activities you'll never forget!!

When not studying in the classroom...



Roger from Colombia: "Kangaroos are really cute! I want one as a pet!"



Students' performance competition



Soccer match with your friends

Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary



Valentine's Day chocolate-making

- ✓ Every Friday afternoon
 + some Weekends
- ✓ See the Gold Coast's best places
- ✓ Speak English and have fun

Eco Tours

Wild Kangaroo Watch



World Heritage-listed Fraser Island



Haruna from Japan: "I am a travel agent in Japan but I've never seen such a wonderful and beautiful place! The Ecotour guide was great too! I definitely want to go back there again!!!"



Whale watching



Eco Tour to World Heritage-listed Lamington National Park

A BBQ on our famous Gold Coast beach is everyone's favorite activity!







Short Courses at Inforum

More than just English!

Course	Barista	Barista Work Experience	Animal Welfare	Surfing Lessons	Padi Diving (Open Water) Licence
Start Date (*Subject to change. Please confirm with the Inforum staff)	First Tuesday of month (marked with coffee cup on Calendar).	Saturday after Lesson 3 of Barista Program.	Any Tuesday Must check the availability	Any day	Any day on request except Sat.
Duration & Time	12 hours, 3pm - 6pm, 4xTuesdays	4xSaturdays, 8am (or 6am if you have a car) - 12pm.	Training: 8am-12pm, Tuesday and Wednesday, Volunteer work from Thursday.	1 day - 2 weeks. Each lesson is 1.5 hours.	3 to 4 days (lesson times are flexible)
English Requirement	Pre-Intermediate or above	Pre-Intermediate or above	Intermediate or above. (A translator's available for Japanese students if English level is lower than Intermediate)	Communicative English	Intermediate or above
Location	Inforum	Rocklea Markets, Brisbane	Animal Welfare League (AWL)	Nearby beaches depending on surf conditions.	At Devocean office, Southport Aquatic Centre, Gold Coast Seaway
Number of students	Min: 1 / Max: 8	Min: 1 / Max: 4	Min: 1 / Max: 10	Min: 1 / Max: 20	Min: 1 / Max:8
Other information	Please wear socks and shoes (not sandals).	You will have to catch a train to get to the market.	Please wear long sleeves, pants and shoes.	Please bring your bath towel and swimming suit.	Please bring your swimming wear, bathtowel, notebook and writing material, food and sun cream.

Barista Training and Work Experience

Become a coffee-making professional



You don't like coffee?
You haven't the mine!
I will show you what the
best coffee beans are
and teach you how to
make fantastic coffee!

Learn how to make great coffee with Mauricio from Colombia, using some of the best imported coffee beans in the world.



Work Experience available at the busy Rocklea Market in Brisbane. When you finish it, you can make coffee in any environment!



Lesson 1 Study the basic knowledge of coffee and learn how to use an espresso machine.



Learn how to make the black menu (Espresso, Long Black, Americano and more)



Learn how to make the milk menu (latte, macchiato, cappuccino and more)



Lesson 4
Take the exam and create your own signature coffee.



Beautiful signature coffee by Pavlina from the Czech Republic

around Inforum

Learn new skills and mix with the locals

Padi Open Licence Diving Course

Learn how to dive with very friendly instructors From beginners to professionals!







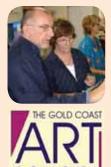


Gold Coast ARt School

Paint with and learn from local artists!

18 week beginner's course or weekly evening lesson for all



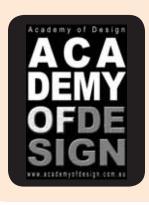


www.artschool.com.au

Academy of Design

Join the workshop of your interest

Check the Inforum noticeboard for class dates and details.



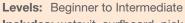




Surfing

Fun, easy, safe!

These courses are taught by experienced instructors, fully qualified by Surfing Australia.



Includes: wetsuit, surfboard, pick up, drop off and refreshments







Animal Welfare Program

Work with, and learn from the animal experts



Sample schedule

(Each person can have their own schedule):

Day 1 Tuesday

- Orientation
- Dog Handling Procedures
- Health check for dogs and cats
- Laundry, food storage, cleaning and sorting

DAY 2 Wednesday

- General care, assistance & maintenance in vet clinics and cat/dog areas
- Cat grooming and cuddling
- Dog beach walking

From DAY 3

Your own volunteer work day

Day 1 - Training





Day 2 - Training





From day 3 - Plan your own work





Study Tours

Short term programs by request

We can make a great short or long course to meet your request.

English / Cultural Experience / Marine sports/ Environmental studies/ Barista / Animal care / Combine anything to your liking!









Brazilian high school group.

Inforum's wonderful accommodation

1. Homestay – your Australian family

Our homestay families are very carefully chosen by Diana, Inforum's Accommodation Manager. They're so good that students who leave our homestay families keep coming back!

Four types to choose from:

Туре	Meals Monday - Friday			onday - Friday Weekend Meals Facilities			
	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	3 meals	(Every room has a desk, chair, lamp, bed, linen, wardrobe and/or drawers)		
No Meal	_	_	_	_	Depends on family		
Standard	✓	—	✓	✓	Depends on family		
Quality	✓	_	✓	✓	At least 3 of these: air-conditioning, own bathro		
Superior	√	✓	√	✓	internet, swimming pool, 20 minutes travelling		

^{*}Students under 18 can stay with a Superior Family only.











Did you know?

Inforum gives you a free telephone card when you apply for homestay so that you can call your family right after you arrive? The telephone card will be waiting for you when you arrive!

2. Student Residence*



- V 10 min Walk from Inforum
- ✓ Exclusive to Inforum students
- ✓ Wireless internet
- ✓ Common area cleaned once a week
- ✓ Rental bedding (sheets) available
- ✓ 2 min Walk to shops





Backpackers, motels and holiday resorts

There are many motels and backpackers on the Gold Coast. You can arrange it yourself or we are happy to arrange a room for you.*



(*Not available for students under 18 unless staying with relatives over 21 years of age.)

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Program Start Date:

English Course

Every Monday
*If Monday is a public holiday, then Tuesday. Preferred start day: 14 Jan, 8 April, 1 July, 23 September

Barista Basics Program Month



- Guest Speaker
- Teenagers Program

Public Holiday:

1 January - New Year's Day

28 January - Australia Day Holiday

29 March - Good Friday

1 April - Easter Monday

25 April - Anzac Day

6 May - Labor Day

30 August - Gold Coast Show Day

7 October - Queen's Birthday

25 December - Christmas Day

26 December - Boxing Day

Inforum holiday:

Inforum 6th Anniversary 23 December 2013 - 3 January 2014

<u>Please note</u> The dates shown in this calendar are subject to change without notice



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