**Pontifical Catholic University of Parana**

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| About partner | About partner | The Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná is a private, not-for-profit Catholic university with its main campus located in Curitiba, the capital city of the State of Paraná, Brazil. As one of the largest private universities in Brazil, PUCPR has five campuses located in the cities of Curitiba, Londrina, Maringá, São José dos Pinhais and Toledo, with over 30,000 students and 1,300 qualified professors with expertise in a wide range of disciplines.  PUCPR encourages interaction between the university and business through a range of partnerships and maintains close links with local community. It also supports the development of regional communities, promoting the holistic and permanent education of its citizens. |
|  | About [partner city] | Hailed as Brazil’s most efficient city, Curitiba is a wonder of urban planning thanks to the initiatives of the local mayor in the early 70s who transformed downtown into a pedestrian zone and created large-scale parklands. Getting around Curitiba, with its abundant green spaces and modern CBD, is easier than anywhere else in in the country due to its efficient public transport system, offering a quality of life unparalleled in Brazil. |
|  | Did you know? [fun fact about partner] | The Catholic Archbishop of the city of Curitiba is the ceremonial chancellor of the University. |
| Academic information | Main areas of study | * Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine * Architecture and Design * Business * Communication and Arts * Computer Science * Education and Humanities * Engineering * Health and Bioscience * Medicine   **Note**   * The listed areas of study are not necessarily exhaustive and other fields of study might also be available at the partner institution. Moreover, names for fields of study may be different overseas. * A discipline being listed does not in indicate the suitability of the program, nor does it indicate that the discipline is taught in English. * Approval to study particular subjects at any institution is always at the discretion of the departmental/discipline and faculty advisors at RMIT University and subject to available places at the host institution. |
|  | Language requirements | Language test required: No  PUCPR does not have a language proficiency requirement but recommends that students attend at least one semester of Portuguese before starting their exchange program. Portuguese classes are offered twice a week during the semester, concurrently with academic courses (total of 54 hours). |
|  | Full time load [Equivalent to 96 RMIT Credit Points] | 18 credit points, i.e. usually 4-6 subjects at 4 credit points each. |
|  | Link to courses | <http://www.pucpr.br/graduacao/> |
| Living | Accommodation | There is no on-campus housing available at PUCPR. The international office provides accepted students a list of off-campus options and advises students regarding local information regarding leasing accommodation. |
|  | Health insurance | All international students must have health insurance coverage during their stay in Brazil. PUCPR does not have health insurance plans available. International students must obtain a health insurance plan (with coverage in Brazil) before they leave their home countries. |
|  | Living cost | An international student will need approximately BRL 2,000 to live in Brazil (approx. AUD 1000,00) Food: BRL 600,00 - 800,00 Transportation (public bus lines): BRL 150,00 – 230,00  \*1 AUD = 2.10 BRL (September 2014) |
| Funding Opportunities | OS-HELP information | [OS-HELP Information page](http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/os-help) |
|  | Link to scholarships page? | [All travel scholarships](http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/travel) |
| Useful information | Link to partner exchange page | <http://www.pucpr.br/en/aboutpucpr/universityexchange.php> |
|  | Visa | Students should check the Brazilian Consulate website at their country of origin. Normally, students will be presented with a list of documents, including the Acceptance Letter, which will be provided by PUCPR after his/her application has been processed. For visas to be granted, all students must have a valid passport. |