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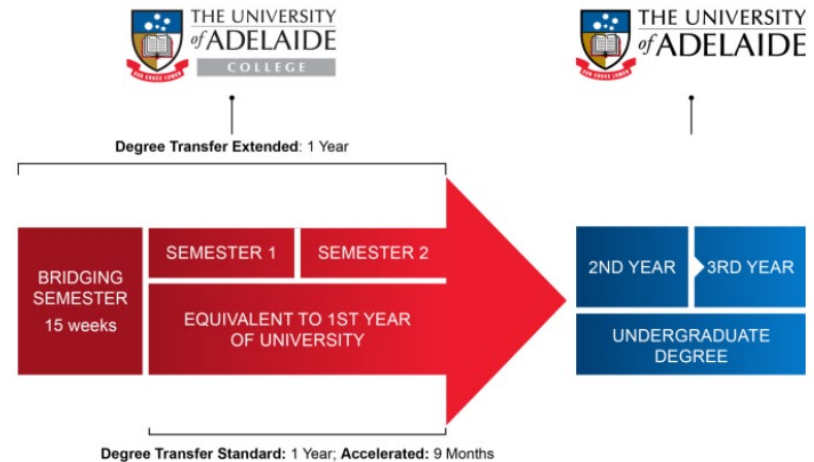
Overview

- Introduction
- Program information
- Courses
- Progression to University
- Academic Honesty
- Advice

Student Demographics

- DTS students come from a variety of backgrounds
  - Direct Entry
  - General Academic English (GAE)
  - Degree Transfer Extended

- Students Backgrounds
  - China
  - Hong Kong
  - India
  - Indonesia
  - Malaysia
  - Vietnam

Program Structure

- 2 semesters (February and July)

- Semester 1
- Feb to June (Sem 1)
  - Standard University Semester
  - 13 Weeks with Mid Semester Break

- Semester 2
- July to December (Sem 2)
  - Standard University Semester
  - 12 Weeks with Mid Semester Break

- 5 courses each semester

- 24 units of study (8x3=24)

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Degree Transfer Extended: 1 Year

BRIDGING SEMESTER 15 weeks | SEMESTER 1 | SEMESTER 2

EQUIVALENT TO 1ST YEAR OF UNIVERSITY

2ND YEAR | 3RD YEAR

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE

Degree Transfer Standard: 1 Year; Accelerated: 9 Months

Streams and Majors

- ### Business Stream:
  - Business (Accounting (w BM or CF), Business (Global), Business Management, Commerce, Corporate Finance, International Business, Management)
  - Economics
  - Finance

- ## Computer Science

- ### Engineering:
  - Chemical, Civil & Structural, Electrical & Electronic, Mechanical, Mining, Petroleum, Software

- ## Science and Health and Medical Sciences
  - Science
  - Health Science
  - Agriculture, Food and Nutrition, Viticulture and Oenology

Course Enrolments / Change of Major

- You have been enrolled in all your courses by UAC staff
    - Check that this enrolment is correct (in your computer session)
    - Please see student services if you believe there is an error
    - Do not change the enrolment yourself

- Check your study plan before each semester to make sure that you enrol in correct courses
    - https://www.adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder/

- Speak to DT Student Services DT (Ewa or Matt) if you wish to change major

Course Delivery

- Lecturer in Charge
  - University of Adelaide staff
  - Set assessments
  - Mark final exams
  - Responsible for your final grade

- Teacher
  - UoAC staff
  - Will delivery your course
  - Marks assessments (except for final exam)
  - Students first point of contact for any learning/ assessment enquiries

Course Delivery - MyUni

- The University of Adelaide's E-learning platform
  - Accessed by students, teachers and the Lecturer in Charge
  - https://myuni.adelaide.edu.au

- Functions include:
  - Announcements
  - Course Information
  - Discussion Boards
  - Lecture notes, recordings and tutorial questions
  - Assignment Submissions and grades
  - Tests and quizzes

Course Structure

- Assessment
  - ongoing assessment (Approximately 50%)
  - Exam (Approximately 50%)
  - Most courses have a minimum exam requirement

- Attendance and participation
  - Recorded and may have an assessment value (5-10%)

- Course outlines
  - Provide all the relevant course info
  - http://www.adelaide.edu.au/course-outlines/

Course Grades

- Recorded on transcripts produced by UoA

- DT Grade Point Average is important for your future study and employment

- Language for study is a full year non-graded course so you will only receive a pass/fail at the end of your DT program

Exams

- Exams are conducted at the end of each semester

- Students who achieve an overall 45-49% are offered a replacement exam

- Don't schedule flights before replacement exams
  - Replacement exams for:
    - Semester 1 will occur in O-week of S2
    - Semester 2, 2019 will finish before Christmas
  - You can always reschedule once your primary exam results have been confirmed

- If you don't take the replacement exam or don't pass

                                    = FAIL COURSE

Progression to University Year 2

- ## Automatic progression
    - Complete 7 courses (21 units) in 2 semesters
    - Pass Language for study

- ## Progression via Semester 3
    - Fail grades recorded on their transcript
    - Completed 6 courses (18 units) in 3 semesters
    - Must have also passed Language for study

Language for Study

- Compulsory full year course for all DT students
  - 4 hours/week (2hrs online for Eng/Sci students)
  - Recorded in University transcript as pass/ Fail
  - Students who fail will need to repeat in semester 3

- Topics
  - writing skills
  - reading comprehension
  - oral presentation skills
  - grammar
  - library Skills

UoA support services

- **Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS)**
  - One hour session delivered by experienced student

- **Maths Learning Centre**
  - No appointment, 10-4pm drop in, Level 3 Hub Central

- **Writing Centre**
  - No appointment, 10-4pm drop in, Level 3 Hub Central

- **Studiosity**
  - Online student support
  - Writing submission and online chat

- **Professions Drop in Centre**
  - Accounting, Economics, Finance with postgraduate student
  - 11am to 1pm Professions Hub Support Room

- **Computer Science Tutor Booking**
  - Course, Topic & programming Language support from tutor

How can I improve my English?

- Attend Language for Study classes
- Utilise English materials – books, movies, music, u-tube etc
- Make local friends
- Consider a homestay
- Book learning support with English/ Academic staff at the College

Academic Honesty

- Plagiarism - Using words or ideas of another person as your own

- Collusion – Presenting work as your own when it has been completed with others

- Cheating – Gaining unfair advantage or helping others to do so

Plagiarism and Cheating

- Potential outcomes:

  - Resubmit task/ resit exam with reduced potential mark

  - Grade reduced to '0'

  - Name placed on Central University Academic Dishonesty register

  - Potential suspension/ expulsion for multiple offences

- http://www.adelaide.edu.au/policies/230/#_Toc416272508

Program Issues

- Intensive
  - 25 hours+/week

- English
  - Reading: takes 3-4x?
  - Listening: Lecturer speaks too fast?
  - Speaking: Not sure what to say?

- Other Concerns

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  - Miss family/ friends?
  - Unfamiliar System/ different academic honesty policy?
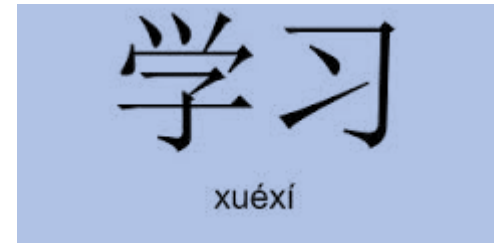 - Holiday period alone?

We can help

- Course support
  - Small Class sizes – around 16
  - Additional 1hr class per course
  - Class teacher available for learning support

- Language for Study
  - Streamlined with other courses
  - Tasks/ assessments designed develop specific Language skills
  - General English, Assignment Portfolio, Seminars, plagiarism

- Counselling
  - Personal/Academic Issues
  - See Ewa or Matt (DT)

Advice for Passing

- Write this down
  1. Attend all Classes
  2. Use Support functions
     - Teachers, Language for study, Counselling
  3. Don't go home till DT program finishes
     - Including replacement exams
  4. Create an English Environment
     - Homestay, local friends, volunteer, clubs

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GOOD LUCK AND DON'T GET BEHIND!!