



UNDER 18 STUDENT – PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM FOR LETTER OF OFFER AND ACCOMMODATION AND WELFARE ARRANGEMENTS

The [Department of Home Affairs](#) requires students under the age of 18 to have [appropriate accommodation and welfare arrangements](#) while studying in Australia. It is a student visa condition that these arrangements be maintained. Failure to do so can result in exclusion from the University and cancellation of their visa.

Students who are under the age of 18 at time of acceptance are required to provide details of their parent or legal guardian, regardless of the welfare arrangement option chosen.

For students under the age of 18, their parent or legal guardian must also give consent to their offer acceptance. This form must be completed and returned on [UWA Accept](#) as part of the acceptance process. By completing this form, the parent or legal guardian also agrees to the conditions in the student's Letter of Offer.

Accommodation and Welfare Arrangements

Tick one of the options below:

Option A: Student stays in an accommodation and welfare arrangement approved by UWA.

I have chosen Option A and will provide the University with confirmation of accommodation and welfare arrangements for University approval.

Option B: Student stays in an accommodation and welfare arrangement approved by the Department of Home Affairs.

I have chosen Option B and my child will live in Perth, WA with me or a Department of Home Affairs approved relative until they turn 18.

Student Details

Family name _____ Given names _____

Date of birth _____ Student ID _____

Course(s) _____ Course start date(s) _____

Passport number _____ Nationality _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Details

Family name _____ Given names _____

Relationship to Student _____ Date of birth _____

Address _____

Suburb/City/State _____ Country _____

Postcode _____ Telephone/Mobile _____

Email address _____

Student Initials: _____

Parent Initials: _____

Information for Parents / Legal Guardians of International Students Under the age of 18

The University of Western Australia (UWA) welcomes international students, including students aged 17 at the commencement of their studies. This document contains information of how we care for students aged under 18 as well as the responsibility of the student, parent and/or legal guardian of the child.

Summary of UWA Under 18 Guardianship Process

Step 1: Ensure student meets the age requirements for their preferred course. Student must be no younger than 17 years of age at the time they are due to commence their studies at UWA.

Step 2: Apply for and receive a full (unconditional) or conditional offer from UWA.

Step 3: In order for a student visa to be granted, all welfare and accommodation guidelines must be met, as required by the [Department of Home Affairs](#).

There are two welfare and accommodation options:

Please complete the [Parent/Legal Guardian Consent Form](#), selecting welfare and accommodation Option A or Option B.

Option A - Student stays in an accommodation and welfare arrangement approved by UWA. Each student must have an arrangement with an approved carer service and a confirmed place in an approved residential college or homestay. The University will issue a 'Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare' letter (CAAW), together with their 'Confirmation of Enrolment' (CoE) which are used for a student visa application. It is important that students who are under 18 do not arrive in Australia before the date nominated by the University on their CAAW confirmation letter (unless accompanied by a parent).

1. Parents or guardians should contact a UWA-approved accommodation provider to arrange a confirmed accommodation place.

An up-to-date list of the University's approved accommodation providers is provided at uwa.edu.au/study/international-students/moving-to-perth/student-visas/international-students-under-18.

2. The University's approved welfare provider is [ISA Student Advocates](#).

Note: A Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare (CAAW) is required for this option.

Option B - Student stays in an accommodation and welfare arrangement approved by the [Department of Home Affairs](#).

Note: With this option, a Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare (CAAW) is not required.

Step 4: Submit the Parent/Legal Guardian Consent form to UWA Admissions, along with other supporting documents as requested.

Step 5: Once all relevant documents, including confirmation of accommodation and welfare arrangements, and payments have been received, a Confirmation of

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Parent Initials: _____

Enrolment (CoE) and Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare (CAAW) will be issued to the student. This will be sent via email.

Step 6: Ensure the student has completed all pre-arrival requirements, has important contact details and is ready for enrolment and orientation.

Students with Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare (CAAW) Arrangements – Terms and Conditions

These terms and conditions apply to under 18 international students who hold a CAAW with UWA approved accommodation and welfare arrangements.

Student Visa Requirements

1. Student will not be permitted to enter Australia before the nominated start date on the CAAW (unless accompanied by a parent).
2. Student must login to [StudentConnect](#) and update their Australian residential address, Australian phone number and emergency contact details within seven days of arrival in Australia.
3. Student must not change accommodation and welfare arrangement without written approval from their parent/legal guardian and UWA, otherwise their enrolment might be terminated.
 - Approval for any requests to change accommodation or welfare arrangements is not automatic. UWA may decline to approve any change in arrangements, if this is determined to be in the best interest of the student.
 - Once approval is granted, UWA will then notify Department of Home Affairs about the changes.
4. Student must meet their visa conditions while studying and living in Australia, or their visa may be cancelled, and they may have to leave Australia.
5. Student must remain enrolled in their course. Any course transfers must be approved by UWA or UWA College.
6. Student must return home if there is a large gap between their courses. Any gap of two months or more would normally require student to return to their home country. Student must seek immediate advice from the International Student Support Team if the gap is two months or more.

UWA Requirements

1. Student must provide their flight details to International Student Support Team by email: help-international@uwa.edu.au, one week prior to their arrival.
2. UWA will arrange an airport pickup for U18 students when they start at UWA. Any student arriving and staying overnight with their parent or legal guardian must complete the [Holiday and Overnight Stays Form](#) for approval of alternative arrival arrangements, one week prior to their arrival.
3. Upon arrival in Australia, student must immediately contact the Welfare Provider Service [ISA Student Advocates](#).
4. Student must attend every meeting that UWA and their local caregiver schedules for them and respond promptly to UWA and their carer's requests (within 24 hours).
5. Student must attend compulsory orientation activities.
6. If there are any issues or concerns, student must raise them with their carer to seek assistance and advice.
7. If student is absent from class for any reason, they must notify their carer.
8. If student is absent from accommodation and university without permission, UWA may implement its missing student procedures.

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9. Student is required to use the [Safe Student App](#) provided by the Welfare Provider. The App is for the students to contact emergency services directly if an emergency arises. Student can nominate three contacts to be simultaneously notified when they activate the App.
10. Student must ask their carer's advice if they are thinking of working in Australia.
11. Student is not permitted to drive a car in Australia.

Accommodation Requirements

1. If student is going to arrive late to their accommodation provider, they must inform the accommodation provider and their carer of their new arrival time and date.
2. Student is required to return every day to their approved accommodation prior to curfew. This includes student wanting to stay with relatives.
3. If for any reason student will be late and will return to accommodation after curfew, student must contact their welfare carer to advise them and request them to contact the accommodation provider.
4. The accommodation provider or homestay host will inform the carer if student returns to the accommodation after curfew or if they do not return to accommodation overnight.
5. Student who breaches curfew can expect to be given warning letter and asked to agree to a behaviour contract. If student continues to breach curfew, they may be suspended or excluded by UWA and reported to the Department of Home Affairs.
6. Student must not have a visitor in their room without the permission of accommodation provider or homestay host. Student is permitted to have visitors in the common areas.
7. Student must get permission before they will be allowed to be absent overnight or longer from their accommodation. Applications for an overnight stay or holiday can be submitted and are assessed and approved by UWA.

Media Consent

Please indicate your permission below for usage of your child's image:

I give permission for my child's image to be taken and used by UWA in printed marketing collateral, in digital presentations (such as PowerPoint), on the UWA website, by media selected by UWA to promote UWA and its students, for promotional purposes by organisations affiliated with UWA, including Residential Colleges and UWA College, for media selected by UWA and marketing purposes of the University Photography on their website.

I decline use of my child's image for the above purposes.

Declarations

I understand and accept

1. The information provided above is correct and acknowledged.
2. The conditions of my Letter of Offer.
3. I'm responsible for informing the University of any change to my contact details.
4. If my child refuses or fails to comply with any of these terms and conditions, it may lead to exclusion from the University in accordance with their respective exclusion rules.

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____