

ACCESSING CREDIT, GRANTS AND FUNDING

FOR A PROJECT EVEREST INTERNSHIP



Every semester, universities battle to cater to the growing industry demand for career-ready graduates. As a result, more and more career-ready and work-integrated learning components, professional practice placements, and interdisciplinary subjects are more accessible than ever.

As a Monash student, there are a number of credit, grant and funding opportunities available to you if you undertake a project with Project Everest Ventures.

FUNDING AND GRANTS AVAILABLE

- **Monash Abroad Travel Scholarship up to \$2500.** All outgoing students travelling on a Project Everest internship (with faculty approval and receiving academic recognition) will receive a Monash Abroad Travel Scholarship of \$500 - \$2500, depending on the program and period. These are assessed on a case by case basis by Monash.
- **Monash Connect loans up to \$3000.** This is an interest-free loan available to both domestic and international students to put towards undertaking a Project Everest internship, including program fees or associated costs.
- **OS HELP Loan up to \$7764.** This is a Commonwealth Government loan program. It provides financial assistance to eligible Commonwealth Supported Place students, to undertake some of their study overseas

CREDIT AVAILABLE

It doesn't matter what faculty you're studying within, you're eligible to attribute an experience with Project Everest towards your degree in the form of course credit as a subject, or as professional experience. Gaining academic recognition for an internship undertaken with Project Everest means that you're able to access further grants and funding available through Monash University (see The Application Process below for more information).

The following Monash courses already recognise a Project Everest Internship as an approved subject equivalent or component. Other course credit may be sought on a case-by-case basis with your subject convenor.

CODE	SUBJECT NAME	FACULTY	DETAILS
WIL	Work Integrated Learning	All faculties	Equivalent to 12 credit points This is an additional subject available to <i>all students</i> if they have available credit points.
CPD	Continuous Professional Development (CPD)	Engineering (all majors)	Equivalent up to 12 weeks professional experience. All engineering students are required to undertake CPD as a compulsory element of their degree. You cannot graduate without completing the CPD requirements.
ATS3170	Arts International Experience	Arts	Equivalent to 6 credit points (Undergrad)
APG5044	Professional Internship		Equivalent to 12 credit points (Postgrad)

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

All credit, grants and funding is accessed through your university, **not** through Project Everest Ventures. You will be required to show proof of acceptance into a Project Everest Internship prior to receiving any subsidies or credit recognition.

Contact your faculty to help you understand what units you can take overseas and still remain on track to graduate. For double degrees, contact your managing faculty first before contacting your non-managing faculty.

Applying for Course Credit

Work Integrated Learning (WIL)

All students are eligible to enrol in a Work Integrated Learning (WIL) unit to contribute satisfying their degree completion. If you enrol in a WIL unit (12 credit points), a Project Everest Internship will satisfy all the requirements for the successful completion of the WIL unit. This means that you can tick off 12 credit points overseas whilst gaining practical work experience in your semester break.

Work Integrated Learning at Monash already recognise a Project Everest internship as a **Self-Sourced** (also 'Student Sourced'), **Offshore placement**. This means that whilst this is a Monash approved program, you are required to apply for the internship directly to Project Everest, external to WIL. Once you've been offered a place on a project with Project Everest, you'll be able to enrol in the WIL unit and access course credit, a travel grant and/or OS-HELP for your experience.

For detailed steps on your enrolment and application, and how to access the supporting forms and documents, [click here](#). The relevant section for your Project Everest internship is: **Student Sourced placement applications – onshore and offshore placements**.

The following information about Project Everest will be required for your **InPlace application**:

1. **ABN (Australian Business Number):** 81 608 075 672
2. **Supervisor name:** Jessica Arvela
3. **Host organisation address** – location of your placement: [relevant country]
Malawi: Nancholi, Blantyre, Malawi
Timor Leste: Metiaut, Dili, Timor Leste
Fiji: Sigatoka, Viti Levu, Fiji
4. **Host supervisor email address:** jessica.arvela@projecteverest.ventures
5. **Host supervisor phone number:** +61 411 952 617
6. **Host organisation website:** projecteverest.ventures
7. **Start date and end date:** [Dates of your project period]

If you have questions or queries about your WIL unit, contact:

Work Integrated Learning (International) Team

T: +61 3 9903 8866

E: wil.international@monash.edu

Single Unit Enrolment

If you are enrolling in a subject that is already part of your course curriculum, enrol as you normally would. You can apply to enrol in a maximum of four units (24 credit points) in a single semester (unless the unit is for the full year).

You can enrol for a **single unit** (subject) that will enable you to attribute the Project Everest internship towards the completion of your degree, even if it doesn't fall within your set course curriculum, either as an elective or additional unit.

For steps on applying for **Single Unit Study**, including the application process, closing dates, fees, support, and eligibility, [click here](#).

Applying for Compulsory Professional Development (CPD)

The Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Program is a **compulsory requirement** for all undergraduate Engineering students to satisfy the completion of their degree. A Project Everest internship can satisfy 4, 8 or 12 weeks of your CPD requirements (reflective of the length of your Project Everest internship).

You will be required to log your CPD activities, along with the skills gained through your Project Everest internship, through [Student Futures](#).

For more information about CPD including logging your activities, CPD guidelines, assessments, forms, and eligibility, [click here](#).

If you have questions or queries about CPD, either approach your faculty or access the CPD Department Academics and Monash Connect contact details [here](#).

Applying for Funding

Monash Abroad Travel Grant

When you apply for an exchange, faculty overseas program, internship or any other overseas opportunity through Monash Abroad, you're automatically considered for the Monash Abroad Travel Grant.

Nb. Monash Travel Grant amounts and funding bands are reviewed annually and may be subject to change.

To find out more about the Monash Abroad Travel Grant, [click here](#)

Monash Connect loan

There are two types of loans that you can apply for depending on how far in advance of departure you are accepted into a Project Everest internship. Selecting the right loan for you will be based on your own requirements and personal preference.

Short-term Loan

- Borrow up to \$750
- Maximum loan period of six months
- Guarantor is not required

Long-term Loan

- Borrow up to \$3,000
- Maximum loan period of twelve months
- Guarantor is required

The following Monash Connect loan application forms and guidelines are available here or in the link below:

- [Short-term loan](#)
- [Long-term loan](#)
- [Guarantee form](#) (you will require this for a long term loan application)
- [Banking details](#) (you will require this for either a short or a long term loan application)

To find out more about the Monash Connect loan, [click here](#).

Applying for OS-HELP

If you have been approved to access credit towards a Project Everest internship and you meet the OS-HELP loan eligibility requirements (see Eligibility and Requirements), you can apply for an OS-HELP loan.

You can apply for an **OS-HELP loan** two ways (dependant on the period you will be overseas):

1. Online Application in Monash Abroad Portal (MAP)
2. Downloading and submitting an [OS-HELP loan application form](#) to Monash Abroad [in person](#) or by email.

To find out more the application process, how much you are eligible to borrow, application deadlines, and more, [click here](#).

ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for a **WIL unit**, you must:

- Be enrolled as either a full time or part time student at Monash University
- Complete the required prerequisites (if required)
- Have the required units available in your study plan (if you want to access course credit)

To be eligible for a **CPD**, you must:

- Be enrolled as either a full time or part time engineering student at Monash University

To be eligible for the **Monash Abroad Travel Grant** you must:

- be enrolled as a coursework student at a Monash campus (in Australia)
- be approved by your faculty or Monash Abroad to go on a non-award overseas program.

Find out more about the Monash Abroad Travel Grant eligibilities [here](#).

To be eligible for a **Monash Connect loan** you must:

- be studying at an Australian campus.
- not be on intermission (study leave).

Find out more about the Monash Connect loan [here](#).

To be eligible for an **OS-HELP loan** you must:

- be an Australian citizen or hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa.
- be enrolled in an undergraduate or postgraduate course of study at Monash as a Commonwealth supported (CSP) student
- be undertaking full-time study overseas according to the OS-HELP definition of full-time, which is different from the Monash definition
- have your overseas study count towards the course requirements of the Monash course you are enrolled in

- have already completed at least 1.0 EFTSL (48 credit points) of the Monash course, for which you will be receiving credit for your overseas study
- on return from overseas, you must have at least 0.125 EFTSL (6 credit points) to complete for the Monash course, for which you will be receiving credit for your overseas study
- have been selected by Monash to receive an OS-HELP loan for a six-month period
- have not received more than one other OS-HELP loan including from another higher education provider
- have not received any other OS-HELP loan for a period that overlaps or coincides with the six-month period
- have not completed your overseas study before applying for the OS-HELP loan.

Find out more about OS-HELP loans [here](#).

ADDITIONAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROJECTS

Depending on the nature of your course you may have the flexibility to choose formal units of study to develop your entrepreneurial expertise. Note that these units are not linked with a Project Everest internship, however will extend your engagement with the entrepreneurial space. Ensure that you seek approval from your faculty coordinator before undertaking one of these subjects.

CODE	SUBJECT NAME	FACULTY	DETAILS
BEX3411	Entrepreneurship		Equivalent to 6 credit points
BEX5411	Creativity and Entrepreneurship	Business & Economics	Equivalent to 6 credit points Students must have completed 48 credit points
MGC3250	Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Intrapreneurship		Equivalent to 6 credit points
FIT3134	Entrepreneurship	Information Technology	Equivalent to 6 credit points
ENG5002	Engineering Entrepreneurship	Engineering	Equivalent to 6 credit points
PPR5500	Design Management and Entrepreneurship	Art, Design & Architecture	Equivalent to 6 credit points

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES:

For more information about Student sourced placements and how to apply, visit:

<https://www.monash.edu/business/student-experience/career-development/industry-experience/work-integrated-learning/undergraduate-industry-experience/student-sourced-placements>

For more information about Financial Assistance services and resources, visit:

<https://www.monash.edu/financial-assistance/home>

For information about studying abroad with Monash, visit:

<https://www.monash.edu/study-abroad>

For more information on university partnerships with Project Everest Ventures, visit

<https://www.projecteverest.ventures/training/credit-and-grants/>