

**CHITKARA**  
UNIVERSITY



# Bachelor in Software Engineering

in Academic Mentorship with



**DEAKIN**  
UNIVERSITY

VIEWBOOK 2025



# Engineer your future with Deakin University, Australia

Deakin University, Australia, and Chitkara University, India, have come together to offer you an exciting pathway opportunity. You will start your software engineering bachelors program at Chitkara University in India, with the option of transferring your studies in your third year to Deakin University.

1+2

Enrol in the 4 year Bachelor in Software Engineering program at ChitkaraU in India with academic mentorship from Deakin.

3+4

With the option to transfer in the third year to the Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours) in Australia at Deakin.



## CHITKARA UNIVERSITY, INDIA



Ranked in the Top 5% of universities in India



Learn from some of the brightest and most inspiring academics



Access state-of-the-art labs, design studios, sporting and social facilities

### About Chitkara University, India

Chitkara University is not an institution; it is an experience. Unlike any other. A coveted NAAC A+ accredited University, ChitkaraU stands in the elite club of the most accomplished Universities in India.

Founded by academicians, Chitkara University, is dedicated to equipping students with skills to explore their potential. Located just 30km from the most contemporary and beautiful city of Chandigarh, Chitkara University has two campuses in the state of Punjab and Himachal Pradesh, providing globally relevant learning. Re-imagining the future and deconstructing stereotypes, ChitkaraU is a place where leading scholars, legendary mentors, entrepreneurs, and innovators come together to challenge convention and bring positive change. We warmly embrace each new student, honouring their individuality, enabling success in both their chosen career paths and lives beyond university.

#### Engineering programs at Chitkara University

Our flagship engineering faculty and programs pride themselves on producing brilliant engineering minds that lead some of the most technology-driven companies in the world.

Our students are highly sought after, and the success of our alumni reflects our education and commitment.

We are redefining and reinventing best practices to deliver the next level of engineering education through international association with the very best engineering universities in the world, and our Software Engineering program with academic mentorship from Deakin University, Australia, is a step forward.

Through our association with Deakin University, we are bringing path-breaking applied engineering education to our students' doorsteps with the option to transfer to Deakin University in Australia with full credits (subject to meeting all transfer requirements). This brochure will comprehensively walk through the entire process.

### About Deakin University, Australia

A high-quality education, excellent employment prospects and a university experience you will love - this is what Deakin University has to offer.

Deakin University's approach to learning places emphasis on practical experience and our curriculum is informed by the best in industry. Your engineering degree will include industry placements, which will give you the opportunity to apply your knowledge and explore your career options. And through our unique DeakinTALENT graduate employment services you will be able to directly connect with employers, build your experience and prepare for your graduate job search.

As we move into an increasingly digital future, Deakin has invested in the latest technology, state-of-the-art learning tools and facilities to ensure our students are ready for the jobs of tomorrow. This includes our electrical and renewable energy labs and design and product realisation labs.

But we offer more than just a quality Australian degree. Students can get involved through more than 150 clubs and societies, or make use of Deakin's wide range of student support services. You don't just study a degree at Deakin - you get a life changing experience while investing in your career.

#### Our campuses

Deakin University has four modern, fully equipped campuses and an innovative online learning environment (Cloud Campus).

Each campus offers a unique and stimulating teaching, learning and research environment. Deakin University's Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours) is offered at the Melbourne Burwood Campus.

## DEAKIN UNIVERSITY, AUSTRALIA



In the Top 1% of all universities worldwide\*



In the Top 50 young universities in the world^



#1 university for student satisfaction in the Australian state of Victoria#

\* ShanghaiRankings World University Rankings

^ QS Young University Rankings

# Australian Graduate Survey and Graduate Outcomes Survey, QILT

# CHITKARA UNIVERSITY



## CHITKARA UNIVERSITY PUNJAB

Chitkara University is a UGC recognised University with the right to confer degrees as per the Sections 2(f) and 22(1) of the UGC Act, 1956 and is established by the Punjab State Legislature under, "The Chitkara University Act".



## CHITKARA UNIVERSITY HIMACHAL PRADESH

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# CHITKARA



# RECOGNISED FOR EXCELLENCE



Chitkara University has been awarded **A+ rating by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)** which places us among the **Top 5% of Higher Education Institutions in India.**



Our programs have been ranked among the **Nation's Best in the 2024 NIRF Ranking, 11-50 in Innovation Category and 90 in University Category.**



We are proud to be ranked among the **World's Best** in the **QS World University Rankings.**



The University has achieved the **13th Rank in India and 401-600 Globally,** reflecting its comprehensive dedication to **advancing the Sustainable Development Goals.**



Chitkara University Ranked **1st in The Country in Research Quality** and Ranked **601-800 Globally.**



Chitkara University Ranked **7th in India (Under The Process Pillar), 13th India & 161 in The World**



Year after year, Chitkara University has been ranked among the **Top 10 Universities** of the country for filing maximum patents.

Consistently ranked high by:



# Explore Your Potential with ChitkaraU.

CHITKARA EDUCATION BRINGS WITH IT A REPUTATION FOR EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION THAT HAS BEEN EARNED THROUGH YEARS OF SERVING THE CAREER-NEEDS OF THE STUDENT COMMUNITY.

## Strong Academic Heritage

Chitkara University has been established and managed by passionate academicians with the sole mission of making each and every student “industry-ready”.

## Best Location

With a high quality of living and vibrant student mix, Chandigarh, also known as City Beautiful, has rightfully earned its place as one of the safest and most livable cities in the country.

## Top 20 Ranking

Chitkara University has been consistently ranked among the top 20 Private Universities of the country.

## Modern Facilities

Chitkara University has made huge investments in developing student facilities and giving our students access to world-class labs, design studios, libraries, sporting and social facilities.

## Leading Innovation

Chitkara Innovation Incubator helps turn students' business ideas into reality. Student ventures with scalable, commercial potential are given access to high tech, a collaborative office space, and are paired with industry mentors to develop scalable business plans and market testable products and services.





Since inception, Chitkara University has had a path breaking recruitment record for graduates from various academic programs. Some of our prominent recruiters on campus are:

# Study Software Engineering

Create smart software systems and drive global digital transformation with a 4-Year Bachelor in Software Engineering with academic mentorship from Deakin University.

## About Software Engineering

Software engineering applies the knowledge and theoretical understanding gained through computer science to building high-quality software products. Software engineering is the process of analysing user needs and designing, constructing, and testing end-user applications that will satisfy these needs through the use of software programming languages. It is the application of engineering principles to software development.

Software engineering jobs are some of the most sought-after in the market. They are highly paid and are continuously in huge demand. You need to be good at coding and implementing algorithms if you want to be a good software engineer. Not only does the field of software engineering involve using some common computer languages, such as C, C++, Java, Python, and Visual Basic in an appropriate manner intended results may be attained, but it also leads to apply the concepts in such a way that the development of the software may be made effectively and efficiently.

The market place for software developers continues to grow as new start-ups and large digital organisations are enhancing their online presence. The demand for skilled developers is greater than before due to the growth in technology.

### Your degree

The curriculum and the academic mentorship provided by DeakinU means that students at Chitkara University develop knowledge and skills far beyond web, database technologies, and desktop software patterns. You will acquire niche skills in robotics, AI, and cyber-physical computing, the demand of the future world. With a 4-year software engineering degree from Chitkara University in India or Deakin University in Australia, you will be ahead of your league in shaping the next digital transformations.

## Program Highlights

- This program is jointly developed by mapping Chitkara University's Bachelor in Software Engineering to the curriculum of the Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours) degree at Deakin University, so that students can seamlessly transfer with 'Recognition of Prior Learning' and receive the same learning outcomes and a globally-recognised degree i.e. Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours) from Deakin University.
- Study and apply your education in superlative infrastructure at both Chitkara University in India and Deakin University in Australia.
- High school students will also learn an applied Australian pedagogy when they start closer to home before opting to transfer after two years to Deakin University in Australia. Besides tuition fees, a student will also save on boarding and lodging costs when they stay in their home country for the first two years.
- Conditional Letter of Offer from Deakin University is issued to all students at the start of the program who wish to transfer to Deakin University based on conditions after two years of their study at Chitkara University.
- Students will be coached for the English language proficiency requirement (IELTS) during the first two years of their studies at Chitkara University.
- Your learning outcomes from the first two years of study at Chitkara University will be similar to those studying at Deakin University in Australia. This prepares you for better academic success, should you transfer in the third year to the Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours) at Deakin University.

## Learning outcomes

- Communication
- Digital literacy
- Critical thinking
- Problem solving
- Self-management
- Teamwork
- Global citizenship

"The pathway program from Chitkara University has been instrumental in boosting my confidence and providing a strong foundation. It offered ample support and knowledge about Deakin's academic environment while allowing me to remain in my home country."

Tanish Dhapola  
Software engineering student







## Work experience

Deakin University's Software Engineering program includes a professional unit where you will be required to undertake at least 30 working days of industry experience. You will also have an opportunity to use your elective units to apply for an industry-based learning position, or alternatively a short-term career placement to work on industry projects, gaining experience in entrepreneurship and business skills.

## Program framework

At Chitkara University (Years 1 and 2) you will study:

Year 1	Semester 1	SIT102 Introduction to Programming	SIT111 Computer Systems	SEJ104 Engineering in Society	SIT192 Discrete Mathematics
	Semester 2	SIT225 Data Capture Technologies	SIT217 Introduction to Software Engineering	SIT232 Object-Oriented Development	SIT103 Database Fundamentals
Year 2	Semester 1	SIT331 Full Stack Development: Secure Backend Services	SIT210 Embedded Systems Development	SIT221 Data Structures and Algorithms	SET111 Sustainable Design
	Semester 2	SIT313 Full Stack Development: Secure Frontend Applications	SIT202 Computer Networks and Communication	SIT223 Professional Practice in Information Technology	SIT315 Concurrent and Distributed Programming

Students who opt to take the pathway to Deakin's Melbourne Burwood Campus (subject to meeting transfer conditions) will take the following units in the subsequent semesters in Australia to get the four-year degree in Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours) from Deakin. Students can choose minor studies in Artificial Intelligence, Cloud Technologies, Cyber Security, Game Design, Virtual and Augmented Reality, Data Science or Information Technologies Research.

At Deakin (Years 3 and 4) you will study:

Year 3	Trimester 2	SIT314 Software Architecture and Scalability for Internet of Things	SIT374 Team Project (A) - Project Management and Practices	SIT329 Advanced Embedded Systems	Level 1 Elective
	Trimester 1	SIT333 Software Quality and Testing	SIT310 Robotics Application Development	SIT378 Team Project (B) - Execution and Delivery	Level 1 Elective
Year 4	Trimester 2	SIT723 Research Techniques and Applications (2cp)		SEL703 Professional Practice	Level 1 Elective
	Trimester 1	SIT724 Research Project OR SIT746 Research Project (Advanced) (2cp)		SIT732 Developing Secure Internet of Things Applications	Level 2 Elective

Students who opt to stay at Chitkara University will enter the 3rd year of Bachelor in Software Engineering and will take the courses in the 3rd and 4th year to successfully graduate from Chitkara University with the 4-year Bachelor in Software Engineering Degree. You will also be given opportunities to be part of the industry placement and get a chance to kickstart your career with blue chip companies.

\*Chitkara University and Deakin University are continually striving to improve their programs and their delivery. The information contained in this framework is subject to change without notice. This course map is for illustrative purposes and should be used as a guide only. There may be additional 0-credit-point units required. Check the relevant course page on Deakin's website for unit details. Students must meet the course and unit requirements as set out in the Handbook ([deakin.edu.au/handbook](http://deakin.edu.au/handbook))



Core unit



Minor or Elective unit



Team Projects OR Minor or Elective units AND Professional Practice



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## Career opportunities

- Business analyst
- Embedded systems developer
- Mobile applications developer
- Software developer
- Data engineer
- IoT system engineer
- Project manager
- Systems architect
- Develops engineer
- Machine learning engineer
- Software engineer
- Web applications developer



# How Deakin can support you

## Getting started

At Deakin University, our priority is to help you make a smooth transition into life at Deakin University, whether you are studying online, at home or at an Australian campus. From your first enquiry through to your first class and beyond, someone is available to answer your questions. Remember to participate in Orientation Week to learn about extracurricular opportunities, such as social clubs, that are available both online and on campus. As part of Deakin's welcome program we offer:

- Airport pickups
- Orientation program
- Workshops
- Social events
- Study groups
- Opportunities to get involved in campus life
- Plus additional orientation activities for on campus students.

## Support services

In addition to the academic support you will get from your instructors, student mentors are available to help you with practical and social matters as part of Deakin University's Students Helping Students program. Many mentors are international students just like you. If you are having a hard time settling into the Australian lifestyle or missing home, there's always someone who can help.

If you need professional support with your physical or mental health, all campuses have facilities to provide healthcare and counselling services. Our experienced psychologists and social workers offer free and confidential counselling support to all Deakin University students located in Australia.

## Scholarships

Financial stress can hinder your academic journey. Scholarships and bursaries are available based on a range of criteria, including access and equity for specific study areas and citizens of specific countries.

Deakin University provides 20% to 25% tuition fee reductions in the form of prestigious scholarships to high-achieving students. Maintaining a minimum qualifying CGPA in your first two years of study at Chitkara University will make you eligible for the scholarship in your third and fourth years of study at Deakin University, thereby significantly reducing your tuition costs.

## Deakin Talent

There are a lot of reasons to go to university, but in the end it is about starting a career. Deakin University's 24/7 'anytime anywhere' careers service, DeakinTALENT, is here to help you with exactly that.

Through a series of workshops, events, and online resources the DeakinTALENT International Student Careers (DISC) program provides assistance with:

- Understanding the Australian labour market,
- Strengthening your professional network, and
- Targeted job search strategies.



## The DeakinTALENT FreelancingHUB

The DeakinTALENT FreelancingHUB is an exciting initiative designed to develop job-ready graduates through work experience opportunities. The HUB places you in not-for-profit or community organisations to develop a solution to a real-world project. Students are assigned an experienced mentor and project manager and will gain key employability skills, such as communication, collaboration, creativity and critical thinking. FreelancingHUB placements are open to students across all study areas, but places are limited.



"Deakin University provided a welcoming and dependable environment for students from diverse backgrounds, fostering a sense of inclusivity and community. This diversity enriched my overall learning experience and exposed me to varied perspectives."

Nandini Kaushal  
Software engineering student

## Peer Support Program

Unlock your potential and gain valuable insights into what it takes to be a successful student in Deakin University's Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment (SEBE). Our flagship program, Peer Mentoring, connects you with experienced students ready to guide you through the challenges of university life in your first trimester of study. Benefit from personalised advice on academic skills, goal setting, and a smooth transition into your new course.

Discover the advantages of peer mentoring as a powerful tool for success. Mentees gain valuable insights from peers who have successfully navigated similar academic paths. Our mentors are equipped to share knowledge, provide coursework assistance, and help you develop effective study habits. It's a personalised mentoring experience tailored to your unique needs.

Getting started is easy. All students in their first trimester of study are invited to join a weekly meeting, check your Deakin email for instructions on how to get started.

Join the SEBE community at Deakin University and embark on a journey where success is not just a destination but a shared experience. Let our student support services be your guide to academic excellence and personal growth.

Are you a seasoned student eager to make a positive impact? Consider becoming a mentor! Applications to become a mentor are now open. As a mentor, you'll play a vital role in shaping the success of your peers commencing their studies. Share your knowledge, provide guidance, and contribute to a thriving community, all whilst receiving professional development training and demonstrating your employability skills. Visit our website to apply and join a fulfilling experience of mentorship. Apply now at [deakin.edu.au/peersupport](https://deakin.edu.au/peersupport)



# Living and working in Australia

## Transfer to Australia

You can apply for transfer to Deakin University after studying and demonstrating academic success (with a requisite CGPA of 6.5 on 10.0 scale) at Chitkara University. You will be eligible to transfer into the third year of engineering programs at Deakin University with prior learning credits from the first two years of your study at Chitkara University.

You will apply to Deakin University for transfer into the third year of Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours) program.

However, in addition to demonstrating academic success at Chitkara University, you have to secure a study visa from the Department of Home Affairs. You will also be eligible to apply for a Post Graduation Work Permit after successful completion of the program.

The software engineering program at Deakin University's Burwood Campus in Melbourne makes you eligible to apply for a two-year post study work permit.

### Other transfer requirements:

- Valid IELTS Score of 6.0 overall with no band less than 6.0 or equivalent.
- No refusal of any visa for Australia.
- Meet the GTE requirements as described by the Department of Home Affairs.
- Have demonstrated academic success while studying first two years of your Engineering at Chitkara University and secured minimum required CGPA (6.5 on 10.0 Scale).

**For comprehensive information about Australian Student visa, visit:** <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-avisa/visalisting/student-500>.

## Cost of living in Australia

Beyond tuition fees, there are other costs you need to consider for study in Australia.

Basics like food and accommodation – whether you are living on or off campus – will be your biggest expense, but remember to budget for fun. When thinking about your finances, don't miss out on having coffee with your new friends, going to the movies and maybe even taking the occasional road trip!

Cost of living varies depending on where you choose to live. For example, living in Melbourne is more expensive than living in Geelong or Warrnambool.

The Australian Government provides average living cost estimates for international students living and studying in the Australian state of Victoria. For the most up-to-date estimates visit [studyinaustralia.gov.au](http://studyinaustralia.gov.au)

## Work in Australia

As an international student at Deakin University, you can work part time according to the conditions of your visa. If you are on a student visa, you can work up to 40 hours per fortnight in a trimester when your course is in session. This includes work experience related to your degree, unless it is a mandatory component of that degree. During trimester breaks and holidays, you can work as much as you want. Deakin University can even help to find a job that suits you - whether you would like some extra income, or if you are keen to get some work experience related to your degree.

**Initial student visa:** <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-avisa/visa-listing/student-500>

**Student visa extension:** <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-avisa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/>

Or

**Skilled recognised-graduate visa:** <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-avisa/visa-listing/skilled-recognition-graduate-476>

**Work during study:** <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-avisa/visa-listing/student-500>

**Work restrictions:** <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/see-your-visa-conditions>

**Post study work visa (subclass 485):** <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-avisa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/post-study-work>.

## Living on campus

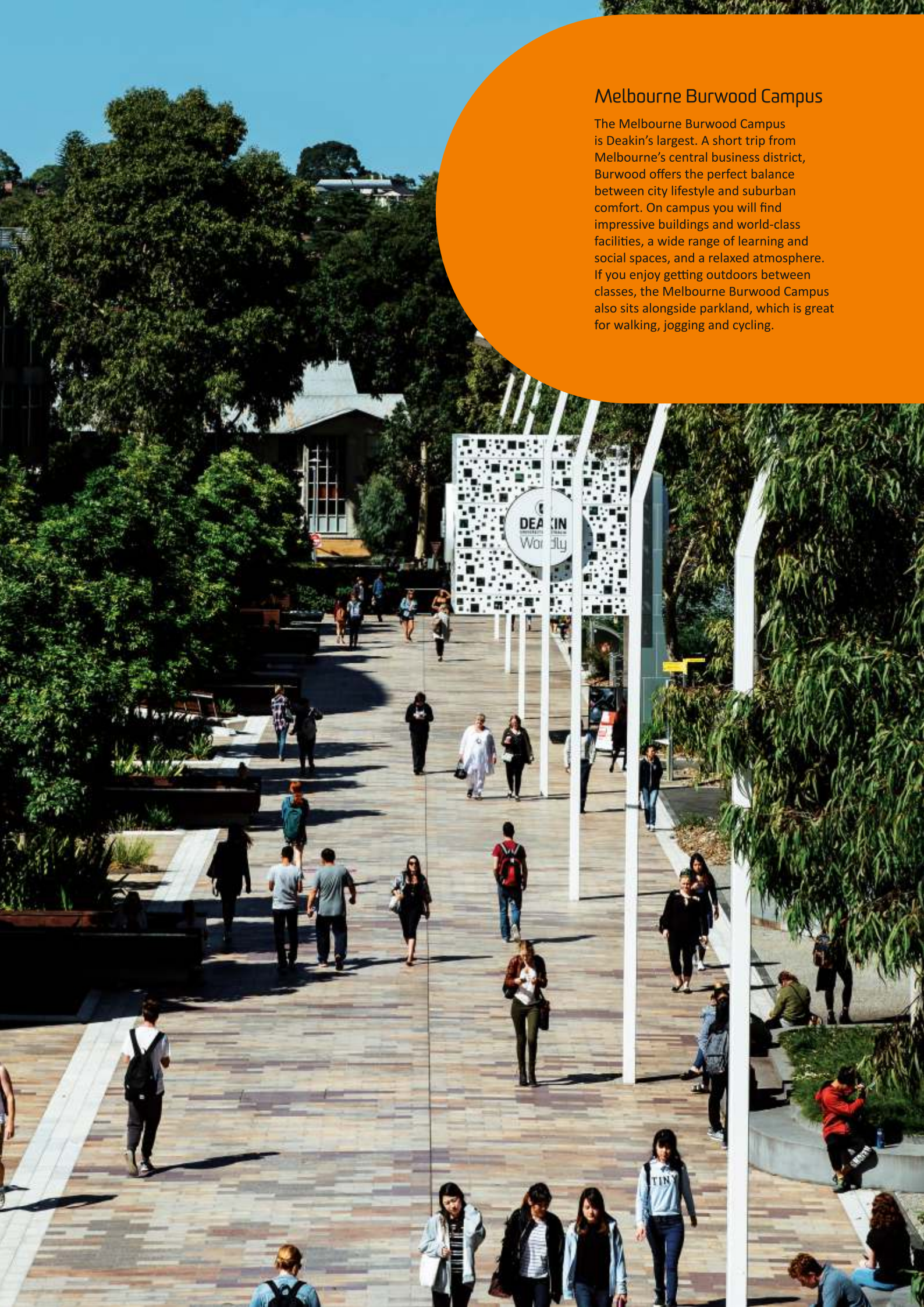
Deakin University's on-campus housing service includes:

- A private bedroom, which is furnished (including a bed and desk), carpeted, heated and has Wi-Fi.
- Shared kitchen, bathrooms, spacious living and dining room, and air conditioning.
- Social, personal, academic and sporting activities calendar.
- Support from Deakin residential management and administration team, and 24-hour security.
- For more information on Deakin student accommodation visit [deakin.edu.au/accommodation](http://deakin.edu.au/accommodation).



## Melbourne Burwood Campus

The Melbourne Burwood Campus is Deakin's largest. A short trip from Melbourne's central business district, Burwood offers the perfect balance between city lifestyle and suburban comfort. On campus you will find impressive buildings and world-class facilities, a wide range of learning and social spaces, and a relaxed atmosphere. If you enjoy getting outdoors between classes, the Melbourne Burwood Campus also sits alongside parkland, which is great for walking, jogging and cycling.





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