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Communications & Publishing

Monash University

Australia

Feb / 2019

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$1500 (Van -> Auckland -> Melbourne -> Fiji -> Van)

$75 in Uber costs; $20/month Myki

just check Google flights -- usually good deals

Canadian

$550

passport, CoE letter, insurance confirmation

applied online -- recieved visa within a few days

Monash University provided a complimentary shuttle from the airport to the university -- definitely follow through on this, otherwise its like $100 trip.

Tullamarine (but Avalon airport isn't much further)

Definitely a way to get to know other students and understand how things work at the university.

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Richardson Hall

$1100

Wifi wasn't lightning fast but definitely more than adequate; if it was being slow I just used my Optus phone plan data, as I had like over 50GB for $30 a month.

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Richardson Hall was a really good hall to live in. It was low-key and relaxed enough, but a strong sense of community with good common areas and opportunity to 'go out' and party if that is what you are looking for. It was a 'stairway' style residence, so there are 10 stairways, each with about 4 or 5 floors, each with a few rooms on them (so about 25-30 people per stairway, all part of the one hall). This created smaller pods of people to get to know if you wanted, and kept things quieter as there were no parties allowed in rooms, only in the common areas.

I would bring a bit of Australian currency with you to hold you over until getting your australian bank card (which you can get within a week or so). Then I used that for most other purchases

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