



Checklist for Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) Statement

This is the same as a Statement of Purpose (SOP) and the same document to be submitted as part of your student visa application.

Please:

- write the Statement in your own words (it will be software checked for copied and pasted content)
 - give specific examples - avoid quotes and general statements unless you can explain them
 - write about 4 to 8 (typed) pages
 - proofread your Statement to remove any errors and check that it covers all items below:
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1. Why you chose your proposed program

For example, what incidents or experiences led you to decide on this program? Also include your specific knowledge of the program, including its courses / content.

If you commenced studies at UniSA from your home country due to Covid-19 related travel restrictions, please explain this here. For example, include when you commenced studies, how much you have completed and your intention to complete this program in Australia.

2. How your proposed program is relevant to your previous study and/or employment

If you have changed your field of education, explain your reasons.

3. Explain your previous study including:

- Qualifications (complete and/or incomplete)
- Name of the education provider/s
- Length of study

4. Explain any gaps between your studies

5. Employment - if you are, or have been employed, provide:

- Employer's name (include last employer if currently not employed)
- Company address
- Period of employment
- Details of your position
- Name and contact details of someone who can confirm circumstances of your employment

6. Why you chose to study in Adelaide and at the University of South Australia

Include the research you undertook into other providers (in Australia, your home country and other countries). Please use a table to show your comparison (include at least 5 other providers) as follows:

Education provider	Program	Website	Location	Cost, duration	Comments (pros and cons)

For example, include references to world rankings, any scholarships, teaching methods, lifestyle, what you like about the program structure and also the city of Adelaide, graduate outcomes etc.

7. Why you chose to study in Australia instead of in your home country (bearing in mind the significant cost of studying in Australia, compared to in your home country)

For example:

- Do you have family and/or friends in Australia? If so, provide their details including their visa status in Australia
- Include reasons such as lifestyle, culture, weather, advantages of education system, disadvantages of studying in other countries etc.

8. How your proposed program will benefit you in the future

- For example, how will completion of the program help you gain employment or improve employment prospects in your home country and/or other countries?
- Include your research into possible job opportunities (provide sources such as web links). Be sure to explain what is in the link and how/why you will be eligible for those jobs after completion of your program.
- Include your expected monthly earnings after you complete the program. How does this compare to earnings if you completed a degree in your home country?

9. Ties to home country and incentive to return

Explain your reasons for returning home after completion of your program. Include as many examples as possible e.g. assets, economic situation, job offer, family responsibilities, relatives, community ties etc.

10. How you intend to finance your studies in Australia

Include who your sponsor/s is, how they are related to you and how they will support you (e.g. bank savings, loan etc.) Also include employment position of sponsor/s.

11. If applicable, provide details regarding your spouse including:

- Whether they intend to accompany you to Australia and why / why not
- What they intend to do while in Australia (if applicable)
- Their previous education (complete and/or incomplete)
- Their previous employment including employer name/s, period of employment and details of position/s

12. Explain any immigration history (including for your spouse, if applicable) including:

- Previous visa applications for Australia and any other countries
- Visa refusals or cancellations – explain how you have addressed any reasons for those refusals/cancellations

13. Explain your understanding of Australian student visa conditions

Refer to <https://international.unisa.edu.au/how-to-apply/student-visa-information/student-visa-conditions/>

14. Accommodation options

Explain your planned living arrangements while you are in Australia (include type of accommodation, location, cost etc.)

YOU MUST ALSO:

- **provide evidence of the information referred to in your GTE Statement**
- **ensure that the final version of the GTE Statement as approved by the University is lodged as part of your student visa application together with the related evidence.**

WARNING: Failure to do so presents risk of student visa refusal.