



Study**ADELAIDE**
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Muslim student's guide to **ADELAIDE**





There's a place where quality of education meets quality of living
Where your wellbeing matters as much as your qualification
And you're supported from first inquiry to final graduation and beyond

It's a place where dreams become defined
Ambitions nurtured
And opportunities opened

It's a place where education and business intertwine
So careers flourish and the economy thrives

This is a place of inspiration
From lecture theatre to festival stage
Work experience to nature experience

It has Australia's high education standards
But with a lower Australian cost of living

It's a place built upon a simple yet progressive vision
To create a diverse and welcoming environment
Where people can live well
And achieve extraordinary things

This place is Adelaide. Designed for life.



Abdullah Al Herz

Bachelor of Engineering
(Mechanical and Nanotechnology)

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If people want to study, Adelaide is the best shot”

“It was my uncle who encouraged me to come to Adelaide. He was living here and doing his Masters. He said ‘it’s a great city, you’ll like it.’ And I do.

He told me three things – the environment is good for study, there are a lot of Arab guys here, and halal food and mosques are everywhere. He was right. There are a lot of mosques in Adelaide and we have one right next door to the campus. Of course, we also have a prayer room on campus as well.

My campus has halal food, and out of the 15 restaurants next door, more than half offer halal meals. There’s a great variety – Indonesian, Indian, Arabian, even a Greek restaurant. The supermarkets have a good range of halal food as well.

Most of my friends here are students, mainly Middle Eastern guys but also Australians, Indians, Malaysians and some Europeans. When we’re not studying, we go to the cafés, the cinema, and Rundle Mall which is a great place for shopping. I also like to go to the parks. I play tennis, and every Sunday we play soccer with the Fijian team, who are our neighbours.

Adelaide has lots of festivals – Malaysian, Lebanese, Arabian. Middle Eastern students would really like it here.

Whether they’re single students or come with their family, people are always concerned about finding accommodation. It depends on the suburb, but near my campus it only took 3-4 days to find permanent accommodation. In the community, everyone helps everyone else with temporary accommodation, so it’s really not a problem.

After finishing my study, if there are no jobs back home, I will apply for a scholarship and come back to Australia to do my Masters.”



Just make the move, you'll fall in love with Adelaide too”



Asirah Abdul Kadir
Bachelor of Laws

“I first heard about Adelaide when my sister decided that she would study here. We visited a lot when she was studying, which is when I fell in love with the city.

Growing up in a big, busy city, I got tired of all the noise and tall buildings. I wanted a change of scenery. I love the pace of Adelaide compared to my hometown, and also how vibrant it can be with its international festivals and smaller community events. It's never too boring nor too busy – it's just right.

The things I like best about Adelaide are the reliable public transport and how accessible everything is. When I get bored of the city I can easily hop on a bus and head for the Adelaide Hills or take a tram to the beach. The creative scene is also incredible here. Oh, and I can't forget the greenery!

In my spare time I enjoy shopping and going on walks around different neighbourhoods and discovering local cafés and parks.

It hasn't been too difficult for me to meet and mingle with other students. I attend regular social events held by my university and StudyAdelaide. I have a mixed group of friends. Some I have known since my college days in Malaysia, some I made here who are also international students and locals. I also have heaps of Muslim friends from Malaysia and Indonesia.

What advice would I give other Muslim students considering coming to Adelaide? You may feel out of place at times, especially when mixing with students from different cultural backgrounds, but it's important to remember that you deserve to have as much fun as they do!

On a more practical note, I recommend joining Facebook groups for Muslim sisters in your area. It helps a lot with things like getting to know other Muslims and where to find your favourite foods. And finally I'd say just make the move, you'll fall in love with Adelaide too.”

“I was surprised at the size of the Muslim community here in Adelaide.”

We have five mosques in and around the city, and there are a few Islamic community groups in Adelaide. Most universities also have Islamic student clubs.



“Everything is close here in Adelaide, and it’s very easy to get around.”

International and local students get the same great discounts on public transport, so it’s an affordable option for everyday travel. And there are free tram and bus services in the city centre.



“People here are very accepting of different cultures.”

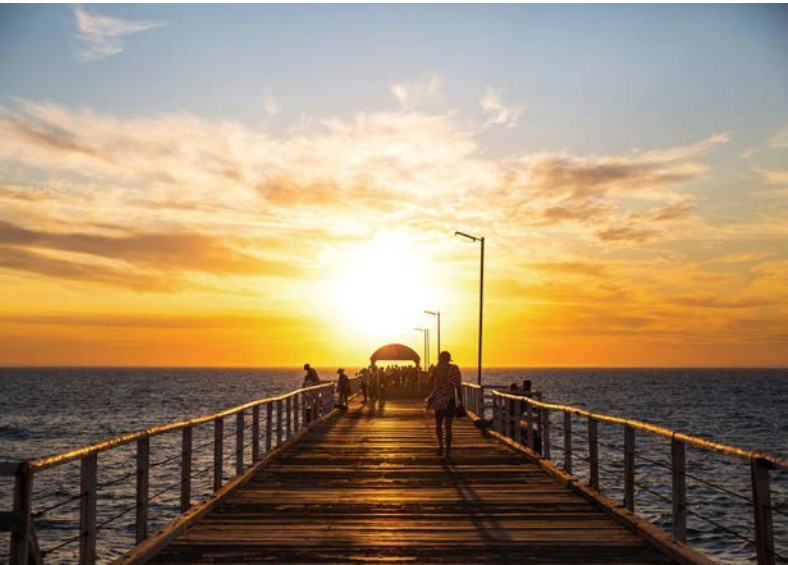
Adelaide is a multicultural city, and there is a genuine interest in different cultures and beliefs.

“My campus has a dedicated prayer room.”

Study timetables are flexible enough to accommodate Friday prayers and religious holidays. Ask the admissions staff or your advisor for guidance when signing up for lectures and tutorials.

“The beaches here are fantastic.”

Adelaide has 70 kilometres of beautiful, clean beaches located less than 20 minutes from the centre of the city. They're perfect for swimming or just relaxing on the sand.



“Other students that come to Australia bring their ambition with them, and it's exciting to share that.”

International students from over 120 countries have helped create a vibrant, multicultural learning city where you'll be studying with people from all cultures, backgrounds and religions.



“It really is the city of festivals, there's always something on.”

Adelaide hosts over 400 world-class events every year! There's the Adelaide Festival, Adelaide Fringe, the SANTOS Tour Down Under cycling race, WOMADelaide world music festival, car racing, Cabaret festival, film and food festivals and more.

“You don't need to worry whether halal food is here.”

Adelaide's cafés and restaurants are world-class and reflect the diversity of our multicultural communities. The city also boasts an increasing number of halal outlets, ranging from butchers to restaurants and takeaway food.

“I chose Adelaide mostly because of the academic excellence here.”

Globally-recognised Australian universities, international universities, skills based training, private colleges and highly regarded schools prove that Adelaide is a smart choice. Plus there are flexible programs for students who want to learn English.



“My non-Muslim friends are very understanding - I get asked to choose where we go to eat.”

Most people are aware of dietary requirements for religious and health reasons and are used to accommodating them. All you need to do is ask!



“Living here is very affordable.”

Adelaide is up to 12% more affordable than other major Australian cities. As a student on a budget, you'll be able to enjoy more of what Adelaide has to offer.

“The campus staff are really helpful.”

If you are having trouble with study issues or something on campus, each institution has student advisors or a student association that can assist you.

“There’s a cafe on campus that provides halal food.”

All of Adelaide’s universities and higher education institutions provide services specific to Muslim students including religious facilities, support services and halal food.



“Adelaide has played a huge role in me reaching my potential.”

Courses have strong ties with industry and research, creating opportunities for valuable networking and work placements. Qualifications from Adelaide have taken graduates into jobs and careers all around the world.



“Working part-time allows me to meet more people and support myself.”

Many international students have part-time jobs. As long as your student visa or scholarship allows it, you can work part-time while you study.

“I love living in the middle of the city.”

Student accommodation is very affordable. Whether you want to live in purpose-built student apartments, a residential college or on-campus accommodation, your home away from home is right here.



Adelaide Mosques

Adelaide Mosque

20 Little Gilbert Street,
Adelaide SA 5000

Islamic Arabic Centre and Masjid Al-Khalil

596 Torrens Road,
Woodville North SA 5012

Wandana Mosque

52 Wandana Avenue,
Gilles Plains SA 5086

Marion Mosque

658 Marion Road,
Park Holme SA 5043

Mahmood Mosque

6-8 Toogood Avenue,
Beverley SA 5009

Imam Ali Mosque

27 Langford Street,
Pooraka SA 5095

Halal Butchers

Two Brothers Halal Meat

2 Trafford Street,
Ferryden Park SA 5010

Safa Supermarket and Butcher

7/392 Prospect Road,
Kilburn SA 5084

Salam Supermarket

581 North East Road,
Gilles Plains SA 5086

Al Madina Groceries

26 Daws Road,
Ascot Park SA 5043

Day2Day Halal Supermarket

2/175 Henley Beach Road,
Mile End SA 5031

Zaytoon Supermarket and Butchery

1/544 Lower North East Road,
Campbelltown SA 5074

Popular Halal Food Outlets and Restaurants

Hut & Soul

310 Pulteney Street,
Adelaide SA 5000

Parwana Afghan Kitchen

124B Henley Beach Road,
Torrensville SA 5031

Lawash Bakery

115 South Road,
Thebarton SA 5031

Marrakech Restaurant

91 O'Connell Street,
North Adelaide SA 5006

Le Souk

Stall 10, Adelaide Central Market,
Adelaide SA 5000

Afghan Charcoal Kebab Village

246 Main North Road,
Prospect SA 5082

Ayla's Café

13 Bent Street,
Adelaide SA 5000

Tangritah Uyghur Restaurant

100 Grote Street,
Adelaide SA 5000

Loveon Café

39 Gladstone Road,
Mile End SA 5031

Islamic Organisations

Islamic Society of South Australia

658 Marion Road,
Park Holme SA 5043

Muslim Women's Association

Level 4, 182 Victoria Square,
Adelaide SA 5000

Islamic Information Centre of South Australia

1/53 Henley Beach Rd,
Mile End SA 5031

Islamic Student Society of The University of Adelaide

Hub Central, North Terrace Campus,
The University of Adelaide,
Adelaide SA 5000

Islamic Society of UniSA

Building GK, City West Campus,
University of South Australia,
Adelaide SA 5000

Flinders University Muslim Association

Student Hub, Bedford Park Campus,
Flinders University,
Bedford Park SA 5042

Medical Services

In Australia, doctors are called GPs (General Practitioners) and most medical practices have female doctors. Use the free Australian Government Health Direct website and Service Finder to find a doctor, hospital, pharmacy or other health service near you. [healthdirect.gov.au](https://www.healthdirect.gov.au)



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