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West Moreton Anglican College INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS

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Welcome to West Moreton Anglican College and the West Moreton International English Language Centre

As Director of the International Student Programs, I welcome your interest in West Moreton Anglican College. Making the decision to study abroad is an important step for your future. As well as gaining a quality education, you will meet the personal challenge of living in a new environment and learning about a different culture. You will become a confident and independent individual, suited to the international workplace and the global community.

The staff at West Moreton Anglican College are dedicated professionals who will help you achieve your goals. They are experienced at helping students from many different cultures.

The pastoral care program ensures your studies at the College are within a nurturing and supportive framework. The Respect and Responsibility Program encourages all students to strive and meet their highest potential. Technology, sport, the Arts and other activities provide all students with the opportunity to engage in a holistic education.

The College offers short, medium and long term programs that are flexible and designed to meet the needs of international students. Since 2002, more than one thousand international students have learned alongside Australian students and followed their dreams to study and work all over the world.

"Faith, Knowledge, Service" is the College motto and our mission is to assist each student to pursue individual excellence. Together we can achieve our goals. I invite you to consider West Moreton Anglican College as part of your future.

Mrs Anne Shaw Director, International Student Programs



Study At West Moreton Anglican College

Why study in Australia?

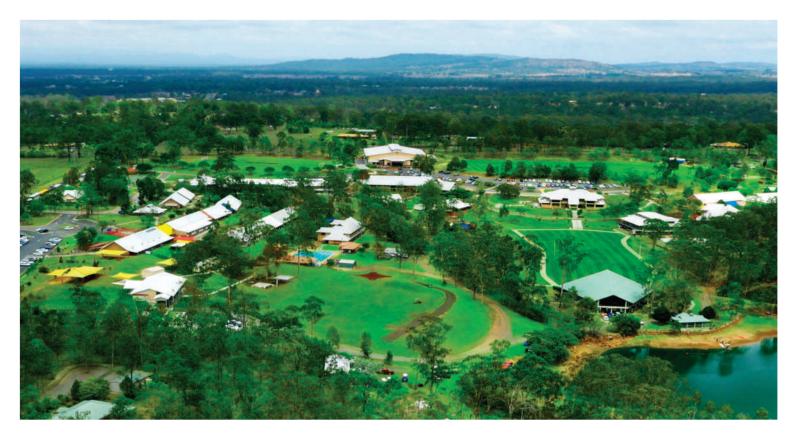
- All courses for international students are quality assured and Government registered.
- Australian educational qualifications are recognised throughout the world.
- Australia is a proudly multicultural and tolerant society.
- Australia provides multiple pathways to tertiary study.

Why study in Queensland?

- Queensland has lower living costs than Sydney, Melbourne and Perth.
- Queensland boasts a beautiful climate and the capital city, Brisbane, has been voted one of Australia's most liveable cities.
- Ipswich, the State's oldest provincial city, is located in Queensland's South-East growth corridor.
- Tourist destinations such as the Gold and Sunshine Coasts, the Great Barrier Reef and the Australian Outback are easily accessible.

Why study at West Moreton Anglican College?

- Students enjoy a safe and supportive study environment.
- The College is situated on a 38 hectare, well designed and modern semi-rural campus.
- Ipswich is a 10 minute drive, the Brisbane CBD is a 40 minute drive. The State's famous Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast are easily accessible.
- An extremely broad curriculum provides flexible academic and vocational study options, Excellence Program in Football (Soccer), and extension studies in Music and Language.
- The extra-curricular program offers students a huge range of sporting, music and other activities to choose from.
- The College employs the latest technology across the entire campus for staff and students.



West Moreton Anglican College

West Moreton Anglican College is a dynamic co-educational institution set on a spacious semi-rural campus in South East Queensland.

West Moreton Anglican College was established in 1994 and since then has grown to be one of the largest independent schools in Queensland. The College comprises an English Language Centre, a Junior School (for students in Prep to Year 6), a Middle School (Years 7 to 9), and a Senior School (Years 10 to 12).

Our staff

Our teachers and our student support staff are highly qualified professionals with extensive experience in international education who understand the aspirations and needs of students studying a long way from home.

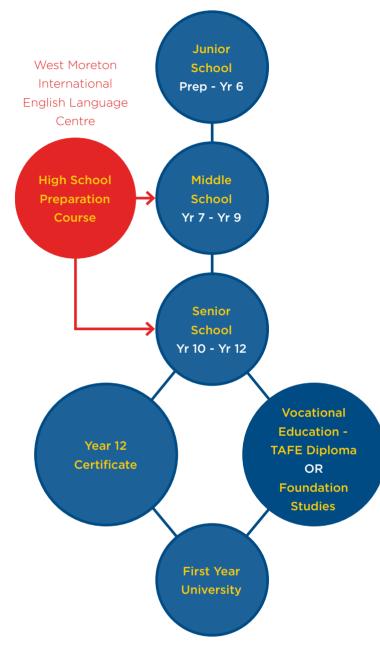
Our curriculum

The College offers an extremely broad-based curriculum and students are able to select subjects that will ensure individual success in their schooling. Senior School students will graduate with a Queensland Certificate of Education: a Year 12 qualification which is recognised throughout Australia and the world for university entry.

More than 80 per cent of local Year 12 graduates are accepted for university undergraduate study in areas such as the Arts, business, commerce, design, law, medicine, science, and technology at quality universities throughout Australia and internationally. Articulation arrangements with a number of local universities allow students advanced placement options and simplified entry procedures for undergraduate study. All international students studying the ATAR pathway continue with tertiary studies in Australia or abroad.

Study pathways to University

West Moreton Anglican College



Our facilities

The College's master planned campus offers computer laboratories, libraries, extensive facilities for Music and Performing Arts, a school farm, Multipurpose Hall and sporting facilities including basketball, tennis and volleyball courts; baseball, cricket, football (soccer), hockey, softball, rugby fields, and a heated swimming pool.



Transport

The average travel time to school is 25 minutes. Some students catch a school bus, others catch the train to Karrabin Station and a shuttle bus to school. Some families drive their children/students to school.

What we offer our international students

West Moreton Anglican College offers a mid price point fee structure and International Students have access to:

- Government accredited English Language courses.
- Highly experienced and culturally aware postgraduate specialist teachers in TESOL.
- Individualised timetables to suit each student and a flexible ESL component to address individual student needs.
- Full time Health Centre and on campus nurse.
- A dedicated international student services team who provide orientation on arrival and continuing support to students with their subject selection and counselling. Students have access to support through a 24 hour emergency contact.
- Career guidance and counselling, and assistance with university entrance procedures.
- Regular visits to universities in South- East Queensland – The University of Queensland, QUT, Griffith University, University of Southern Queensland, Australian Catholic University and Bond University – providing information and options for tertiary study.
- A managed homestay program providing quality accommodation and care. All homestay providers are monitored and inspected.

West Moreton International English Language Centre

West Moreton International English Language Centre offers a National English Language Teaching Accreditation Scheme (NEAS) accredited High School Preparation Course that will prepare students for entry into mainstream classes in the Middle and Senior Schools of West Moreton Anglican College.

Our experienced teachers assist students to gain knowledge, skills and confidence for mainstream studies. Students are encouraged to communicate by sharing and developing ideas and knowledge. Classroom tasks are purposeful and carefully designed to develop the language and study skills required for success in mainstream classes. Learning in context is a basic feature of the communicative language teaching style and students learn English using a variety of interesting materials.

Individual student needs are catered for at all levels and excursions to places of interest are organised as reinforcement of the program content. Students will also have the opportunity to interact with native English speakers on a regular basis. Students will receive advice and counselling throughout their course to help them choose appropriate subjects for mainstream studies.

In the English language program, emphasis is placed on the four macro skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking.

Each language skill is assessed against the National Languages and Literacy Institute of Australia (NLLIA) ESL Band Scales. To undertake Senior classes at the College effectively, a student should be functioning at a Band Scale 5 minimum.

English Language Training Elicos High School Preparation

The ELICOS High School Preparation Course is designed for students who wish to complete their education at an Australian High School. The course comprises language skills common to all subjects (listening, oral presentations, report and essay writing), with subject specific language and study skills. The program aims to help students acquire skills to deal with the language demands of the high school curriculum and increase subject-specific knowledge.

It also helps students develop strategies that lead to independent learning, familiarises students with mainstream subject expectations and smooths the transition into mainstream study.

Short Term Programs and Study Tours

Our short term study tour and study abroad programs are very popular with individuals and groups seeking an exciting way to improve English language skills while immersing themselves in Australian culture. We regularly host students and schools from China, Japan, Korea, Germany and Taiwan.

We offer a range of study options including:

- English language studies.
- Immersion in mainstream classes.
- Australian studies and cultural experiences with excursions to theme parks and famous tourist spots such as Australian Zoo, Movie World, Sea World, farmstays and museums.

Our study programs are flexible and can vary from one to four weeks, and extended programs from one term to one year. We offer quality homestay accommodation, airport transfers, and the same student support and care provided to our full-time students. Programs are designed to suit the needs and interests of individuals or study tour groups.

Entry Requirements

When applying, please submit:

- Application
- Academic reports for last 2 years
- Copy of passport bio page

Your application will be assessed and you will receive an offer letter, invoice and written agreement. When the invoice is paid, and the signed agreement returned, you will receive a homestay application and travel form.

New students are tested on arrival to confirm their English language level. The majority of students require six months of English language studies prior to entering high school. The first term of the High School Preparation (HSP) course consists of 100 per cent English language, mirroring the content of high school subjects. The second term is the transition phase consisting of some English classes and some high school subjects.



At the conclusion of the HSP course, most students study a full high school timetable. ESL support is available to students while they are enrolled at the College. Free tutoring is available throughout the week for Science and Mathematics and teachers of other subjects offer assistance by appointment.

Timetable (Sample Year 11)

| Week A | | | | | | |
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| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | |
| Period 1 - 8.25am | Specialist Maths | English | Physics | Design | Accounting | |
| Period 2 - 9.33am | Design | Specialist Maths | Mathematical Methods | English | Mathematical Methods | |
| Morning Tea - 10.36am | | | | | | |
| Period 3 - 11.01am | Mathematical Methods | Chapel/Ass | RAVE | SED | Strategies For Success | |
| Period 4 - 12.09pm | English | Accounting | English | Physics | Specialist Maths | |
| Lunch - 1.12pm | | | | | | |
| Period 5 - 1.57pm | Physics | Mathematical Methods | Accounting | Specialist Maths | Design | |
| Week B | | | | | | |
| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | |
| Period 1 - 8.25am | English | Design | Accounting | Physics | Mathematical Methods | |
| Period 2 - 9.33am | Physics | Specialist Maths | Specialist Maths | Strategies For Success | Accounting | |
| Morning Tea - 10.36am | | | | | | |
| Period 3 - 11.01am | Mathematical Methods | Chapel/Ass | RAVE | SED | Design | |
| Period 4 - 12.09pm | Design | Accounting | English | Specialist Maths | Physics | |
| Lunch - 1.12pm | | | | | | |
| Period 5 - 1.57pm | Accounting | Physics | Mathematical Methods | Design | English | |



Our sub-schools

At West Moreton Anglican College, students benefit from specialised learning programs developed around proven best practice in Junior, Middle and Senior Schooling.

Junior School

The Junior School years cater for children from Prep to Year 6 who learn within an environment that encourages creative and critical thinking.

Staff members are dedicated, caring professionals who ensure that the education programs they deliver place an emphasis on the mastering of skills, both intellectual and physical. The curriculum offers a large and diverse range of academic subjects to cater to the intellectual hunger of young children.

The Junior School years provide a solid foundation upon which students are able to pursue excellence in their Middle and Senior School years.

Middle School

During the middle years of schooling, students experience a vital transition from the foundation years of early childhood to the high-stakes academic environment of Senior Studies.

At West Moreton Anglican College, students in Years 7 to 9 benefit from our highly individualised pastoral care system which is responsive to the needs of each individual student. Our technology rich environment supports a variety of academic and vocational curriculum offerings designed to guide students towards the post-school pathway that best suits their individual goals. The curriculum is broad and diverse, and focuses on the mastery of intellectual skills to the best of the student's ability.

Senior School

The Senior School, for students in Years 10, 11 and 12, provides a supportive environment that challenges students to fulfil the West Moreton Anglican College mission – to pursue individual excellence. There is a flexible approach to studies in the final two years of schooling which allows students to opt for an academic or a vocational education pathway, or a combination of both.

Staff members in the Senior School recognise that, in the Senior years, students are starting to look beyond their school years towards possible careers and post-school options. The College's Life Skills Program ensures that students are well equipped to make life decisions which will provide the foundation for a smooth transition from adolescence to adulthood.



Subjects Offered

| ELICOS High School Preparation (English language course) | | | | | | |
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| | Core (compulsory) | Electives | | | | |
| Year 9 and Year 10 (Choose 3 electives) | English Maths Science Social Science HPE or Football (Soccer Excellence) RAVE Chapel and Assembly SpiritED | Art Agricultural Practices Business Education Chinese Dance Design Digital Technology Drama | Food Textile Technology Football Excellence Industrial Technology & Design Japanese Music Recreation STEM (Science Technology Engineering & Mathematics) | | | |
| Year 11 and Year 12 (Choose 4 electives) | English or Essential English English & Literature Extension General Mathematics or Mathematical Methods or Specialist Mathematics or Essential Mathematics Strategies for Success Chapel and Assembly RAVE SpiritED | Accounting Agricultural Science Ancient History Biology Business Chemistry Chinese Economics Japanese Legal Studies | Modern History Design Digital Solutions Food & Nutrition Health Physical Education Music / Music Extension Physics Psychology Visual Art | | | |

Extra-curricular

Our extensive range of extra-curricular activities and programs provide students with the opportunity to develop their unique gifts, abilities and interests. With the support of our specialised teaching staff, students enjoy a broad range of extra-curricular activities including music, dance, drama, sport and public speaking. Participation in these activities results in students growing in confidence which has a positive outcome on other areas in life.

West Moreton Anglican College excels in the Arts with Music, Dance, Drama and Visual Art all supported by dedicated professionals and programs.

The Music Department offers extra-curricular music ensembles and bands for musicians to participate in.

- Big Band
- Piccolo Voci
- Flute Choir

Jazz Vocal

- Symphonic Band
- Brass Ensemble
- WestMAC Strings
- Concert Band
- Chorale
- Intermediate Brass
- Mens' Chorus
- Performance Band

- WestMAC Singers
- Chamber Orchestra Guitar Ensemble
- Accompanying
- Percussion Ensemble

The Dance and Drama programs see students perform at various events and showcases each year. Other extra-curricular activities on offer include:

- Air Cadets
- Computer Club

• Friends of the Farm

Chess

- Debating
- Cattle Showing
- Equestrian

Uniform

If you attend a school that has a uniform you may wear it while studying at WestMAC for the VIP or Study Abroad Programs. If you are studying at the College for more than one term, you will be required to purchase a WestMAC uniform. The uniform shop has second hand items.

To comply with health and safety regulations all students must wear a WestMAC hat and hard, closed in, lace up black leather shoes.









Sport at West Moreton Anglican College

Students at West Moreton Anglican College excel at a range of sporting activities with the support of our dedicated teaching staff and exceptional sporting facilities.

There is a range of individual and team sports available to students and various local and regional sporting competitions for students to participate in. Sports available to students include:

- Athletics
- Swimming
- Netball
- Football (Soccer)
- Basketball

Cricket

- Tennis
- Rugby Union
- Volleyball

Hockey

The College is home to excellent sporting facilities including pristine sporting fields, an on-site swimming pool and a new state-of-the-art Multipurpose Hall featuring two full size Basketball courts that can also be used as an international size Futsal court, as well as volleyball, badminton, netball and tennis courts. The West Moreton Anglican College Multipurpose Hall is the largest of its kind in the Ipswich region.

Football Excellence Program

The Pursuing Individual Excellence in Football Program at West Moreton Anglican College is offered in conjunction with Football Queensland, the State's governing body for football. Football Queensland fully supports and endorses the West Moreton Anglican College Football Excellence Program.

The program focuses on the needs of aspiring elite footballers, with the aim of developing professional football players of the future. At the same time, participants in the program gain a quality education.

Currently, the Football Excellence Program caters for students in Years 6 to 9. Participants in the program will receive two training sessions per week from Football Queensland, including related technical and skill training, sports medicine and physiotherapy.



They also have access to leading specialists in biomechanics and exercise science, fitness and nutrition, football coaching and sports psychology and management, as well as football playing professionals.

Key elements of the program include:

- Scheduled football training sessions during school hours.
- Access to coaches fully qualified by Football Federation Australia (FAA).
- Links with local clubs and the A-League Queensland Roar Football

- Club, providing coaching and playing opportunities. Queensland Roar FC is the State's only team in the A-League competition.
- A flexible academic or vocational education program which includes mainstream studies and ESL tuition.
- Participants will enjoy regular training with specialist coaches from Football Queensland, the Queensland Roar Football Club and Australia's governing body for football,

Football Federation Australia (FFA). There will also be opportunities for students to play in local club and school competitions.



Homestay Accommodation

West Moreton Anglican College supports a homestay scheme for international students because research has shown that students learn to speak English faster in a homestay environment.

Great care is taken to match each student with the host family that is most suitable. All host families in the West Moreton Anglican College Homestay Program undergo a rigorous selection process including a national police check. This process is conducted by the Queensland Commission for Children and Young People. Host families also undergo orientation that includes an ethics document and signed acceptance of West Moreton Anglican College homestay policies. Homestay families have been instructed on cultural differences that may exist between Australian families and students from overseas where food is concerned. Students are encouraged to become part of their homestay family and often make friendships that last a lifetime.

Homestay Officer

The College employs a full-time Homestay Officer. The Homestay Officer assesses all accommodation to ensure that rooms are appropriately furnished, well-ventilated and secure.

Each student is provided with two 24 hour emergency numbers. The Homestay Officer is available to assist students during the school week as well as after hours with any issues they may experience in homestay.



Homestay - A smart alternative

- Peace of mind families undergo rigorous
 police check
- Caring, family environment
- Select the family that suits you
- Live in a home not a dormitory
- Improve your English
- Experience Australian culture
- Personalised care
- Build friendships
- Expectation families will be involved in College life
- Ongoing host family training
- Placements regularly monitored
- Changes encouraged if the family does not suit student
- Dedicated and accessible staff
- 24 hour emergency contacts
- Enhanced social opportunities

Host Families provide

- Single occupancy bedroom (and linen)
- Comfortable and safe home
- Meals and snacks
- Laundry
- Assistance to attend sport and other activities
- Study facilities this may be a desk in the bedroom or a study area in the home
- Most families have internet
- Families who do not have internet will assist students to purchase appropriate plans
- Local sightseeing
- Kind and caring environment

Ipswich

Ipswich is a city leading the way in education, industry, residential development, technology, tourism and sport.

Ipswich is centrally located in the booming South-East Queensland region of Australia. The city is ideally positioned on the national road network - 40 minutes drive from Brisbane, and an hour's drive from the Gold Coast and domestic and international air and sea ports.

Ipswich, which comprises an area of 1,207 square kilometres, has a population of 210,000 people who enjoy a subtropical climate in a safe, friendly, multicultural city. Residents come from 115 different ethnic backgrounds and speak 84 languages. Ipswich is an exciting place to live, work, invest and visit - and education plays an important role in the local economy with two universities and a wide choice of private and State Government schools located within the region. Ipswich offers all the modern facilities and attractions of a progressive city. Attractions include art galleries, cafes, cinemas, museums, more than 500 parks, restaurants, shopping centres and wineries, and the city hosts festivals, shows and major national sporting events.





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