

# Footscray City College

International focus is a feature at Footscray City College. Students are drawn from diverse backgrounds, including Germany, Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia, China, Japan, Denmark and Hong Kong. The academic curriculum is complemented by multimedia, music, dance and sporting programs. Academic and personal progress is closely observed. International students benefit from the guidance of a welfare coordinator, careers advisor and experienced English as an Additional Language staff. The school is close to Melbourne city and adjacent to Victoria University.



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**Address:** Kinnear Street  
Footscray, VIC 3011

**Principal:** Maria Bawden

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**Number of students:** 900

**Dress:** Uniform in Years 7-12 only  
**Cost of uniform (approx.):** \$300

**Distance from Melbourne city centre:** 7 km (Map Reference: Pg 12-13, D4, No. 43)

**International Student Coordinator:** Maureen O'Flaherty

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**Number of international students:** 40

**Cost of homestay per week:** \$235



## Features of the local area

- Easy public transport access with regular tram, train and bus services
- Appealing landscaped gardens with spectacular views of Melbourne city centre
- Nearby a bustling Asian market and close to major shopping centre

## Languages taught

- ☒ Japanese
- ☒ Italian

## Special programs

- Experienced international Chinese and Vietnamese program assistants
- Local university student mentoring
- Access to Victoria University teaching facilities

## Intensive English Language classes

Provided at on-site English Language Centre

## Student support services and programs

- Two specialist international student tutors
- Careers resource centre
- Specialist bilingual mathematics tutors
- Homework program four afternoons a week
- Student welfare coordinator
- Part-time psychologist

## Extracurricular activities

- International student orientation camp and tour program
- Annual welcome dinner for Homestay families and education agents
- Year 12 celebratory end-of-year function
- International student social activities including regular morning teas and luncheons
- Strong music program
- Arts and multimedia program
- Outdoor education program
- Interstate and overseas trips available

## Sports offered

Athletics, Australian Rules Football, Badminton, Baseball, Cricket, Dance, Fitness, Golf, Soccer, Gymnastics, Hockey, Indoor Cricket, Lawn Bowls, Martial Arts, Netball, Rollerblading, Softball, Swimming, Table Tennis, Volleyball

## Success story

Hilda Liu, from China, attended Footscray City College from Year 10. Since graduating in accountancy at RMIT University (including studies in London) Hilda returned to Melbourne. She is now working at a Brighton accountancy firm while undertaking further studies to become a Chartered Accountant. On reflection Hilda was delighted to find the school staff and students friendly and helpful. Also of great importance to Hilda's remarkable success were her supportive Homestay families.



## Awards

- University of Melbourne Science Award, 2011
- Australian Mathematics Competition Award, 2011
- Top VCE student – Vietnamese, 2010
- Victorian School Garden Award, 2009

## Reasons to choose our school

- ☒ Strong focus on academic performance, with a wide range of subject choices
- ☒ Attractive school grounds and modern facilities close to Melbourne's city centre
- ☒ English Language Centre on-site