

The Australian Ballet School



PROPOSED 2021 FEE INFORMATION

LOCAL STUDENTS

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Year Level	2021 FEE \$	2021 VESTL Cap \$	2021 VETSL Cap	VETSL Debt (VSL) Fee %
LEVEL 1	5,000	N/A		
LEVEL 2	7,600	N/A		
LEVEL 3	8,800	N/A		
LEVEL 4	11,200	N/A		
LEVELS 5 & 6 Diploma of Dance – Elite Performance CUA50113 (generally delivered across 2 levels)	16,077	16,077		
⇒ LEVEL 5 Dip. of Dance CUA50113 students	13,000	Total amount available 16,077		20*
⇒ LEVEL 6 Dip. of Dance CUA50113 students	13,000			
LEVEL 7 Advanced Dip. of Dance CUA60113	14,000	16,077		20*
LEVEL 8 Graduate Dip. of Classical Ballet 10296NAT	14,500	16,077		20*
Post Graduate Year	12,325	N/A		

* Due to COVID-19 the VET Student Loan (VETSL) Government loan fee has been waived until June 2021

OTHER FEES

Levels 4 – 6 Nutrition Consultation Fees (approximately two consultations)	\$ 50 each session
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UNIFORM COSTS

Bloch is the School's uniform provider and the cost per level will vary. Initial costs are approximately \$700

BOARDING FEES

Boarding fees are all inclusive of accommodation, meals and House organised events/activities (refer Student Boarding Handbook for full details) An additional cost will be charged for students requiring supervised airport pickup/drop off	\$ 19,500
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ABS VETSL DEBT CENSUS DAYS

Students in Levels 5-8 (in 2021) who intend to apply for a VETSL Debt, the 2021 Census Days are noted below:	
Tuesday 9 February 2021	Monday 3 May 2021
Monday 26 July 2021	Monday 18 October 2021

INVOICES DUE DATES

Invoices (including Boarding) will be issued in January . Fees are paid across 4 instalment dates, please see below for due dates:	
Tuesday 9 February 2021	Monday 3 May 2021
Monday 26 July 2021	Monday 18 October 2021

METHODS OF PAYMENT

Credit card (Mastercard/Visa only), EFTPOS, Bank or Personal cheque in AUD made payable to "The Australian Ballet School"
EFT: National Australia Bank BSB: 083-004 Account: 83-930-3138

2021 TERM ONE (11 weeks)	
Monday 18 January	Student Residence open for students
Tuesday 19 January	Levels 4-8 & Post Graduate Year (PGY) Orientation Week
Saturday 23 January	No classes
Monday 25 January	Level 4-8 & PGY Classes commence
Tuesday 26 January	Australia Day Public Holiday (no classes)
Wednesday 27 January	L1-3 orientation
TBC	School Photos
Saturday 6 March – Monday 8 March	Labour Day Long weekend term break – no classes
Thursday 1 April	L1-8 Term One ends

This pack is circulated to all our families for information - It is not a confirmation of 2021 enrolment status.

Fee Terms and Conditions – The Australian Ballet School ('the School')

1. 2021 Students in Levels 1-4 are eligible to submit a Financial Support application towards tuition and boarding fees
2. 2021 Students in Levels 5 & 6 who are eligible for a VET Student Loan Debt (VETSL Debt) may submit a Financial Support application for consideration towards the 'gap' payment only. Please refer to <https://www.education.gov.au/vet-information-students> for further information about VETSL Debt.
3. Students who are accessing VETSL Debt and reside at Marilyn Rowe House are able to submit a Financial Support application for consideration for support towards Boarding.
4. The School reserves the right to admit only fee-paying students to classes. A full term's notice must be given in writing if a student is to be withdrawn from either the course or the boarding house. No refund of fees is applicable for the term in which the student withdraws. For students accessing a VETSL Debt, no tuition refund is applicable after the census day.
5. If for any reason the School is compelled to close in term time, no compensation will be paid for any period of tuition/boarding that may be lost through the School's inability to continue to operate.
6. In 2021 all full-time students will require individual nutrition consultations with the School Dietician during the course of the year. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend the session if they desire. Families will be invoiced for the consultation(s) with the cost appearing as an additional item on the School fee invoice. The following is the anticipated number of consultations per year Level:
 - I. Level 4 Students will have one individual consultation toward the latter half of the year,
 - II. Level 5 Students will have two individual nutrition consultations,
 - III. All Level 6 Students will have one individual nutrition consultation, and Level 6 students who are new to the School in 2021 will have a follow up session later in the year.
 - IV. All new Full-time Students will require a nutrition consultation
7. All new Full-time Students should have undergone a physiotherapy assessment prior to entry at the School.
8. All new new Full-time Students will be required to undergo an initial medical assessment. The assessments will be conducted by the School's resident General Practitioner. The cost of the initial appointment is included in the tuition fees.
9. All fees due must be paid by the due/census date. If fees and charges are not paid by the due/census date the School reserves the right to exclude students from classes and/or graduation until full payment is made. The School also reserves the right to charge a penalty interest of 3% p.a. on overdue accounts, and to take legal action to recover all money owed as well as all costs incurred by the School, including an administration fee of \$500, in collecting outstanding fees.
10. If, due to financial difficulties, instalments cannot be met then a formal payment plan can be organised – please contact the School's Accountant.
11. Any arrears from 2020 must be paid in full on or before 30 November 2020. Student's end-of-year reports, and where applicable Diploma/Advanced Diploma of Dance, Graduate Diploma of Classical Ballet will be withheld and not awarded until arrears have been paid.
12. **If you elect to pay by credit card please note the following:**
 - I. The School accepts all credit cards except American Express and Diners Club.
 - II. The second, third and fourth instalment will be processed on the due dates as stated on the previous page.
 - III. If for any reason your card provider will not provide the School with authorisation of a payment on the due date, all unpaid fees at that date are due and payable immediately.
 - IV. Please let the School know of any changes to your credit card details such as a new expiry date

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Bursaries and Scholarships

The Australian Ballet School (“the School”) is concerned to ensure that no enrolled student is denied the opportunity to train due to financial constraints. Therefore, a number of Bursary and Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the General Manager, in consultation with the Director and School’s Counsellor, on grounds of financial need. Students may apply to the General Manger for financial assistance through a formal application process.

- Financial Support comes from outside the School, being designated for benevolent purposes.
- Should the funds be unallocated or refunded by a departing student, then they are to be re-allocated for benevolent purposes.
- In a majority of cases, the School acts on behalf of donors and foundations to allocate funds and must seek approval for the proposed allocation. The School therefore acts as a responsible conduit, not as a donor.
- Financial Support can be used for any legitimate purpose associated with training costs at the School (e.g. partial fees, uniform) and student accommodation costs within the School’s student boarding house, Marilyn Rowe House, as proposed by the School and as specified upon disbursement.
- Bursary support is allocated from a pool of funds, whereas a Scholarship is allocated from a specific fund and is disbursed based on a criteria as described by the benefactor.

The School views Bursaries and Scholarships not only as a means of financial assistance but also as an investment, through the student’s commitment to the School’s vocational training programme, in the future of dance in Australia. In submitting an application for Financial Support, parents/carers and students are agreeing to the terms and conditions as listed on the application form.

A 2021 Financial Support application form is enclosed. Alternatively, application forms are available upon request from the School’s reception.

Application forms must be completed and submitted to the General Manager no later than **30 November 2020**. Applicants will be advised mid-December regarding the outcome of their application.

Government Assistance Grants

On 1 January 2018, the Government introduced changes to the eligibility for Youth Allowance. The changes affect VET and higher education institutions and their students. Youth Allowance for students aged 16 years is now subject to the type of course in which the student is enrolled. Eligible qualifications are the Diploma of Dance Elite performance (CUA50113), the Advanced Diploma of Dance Elite Performance (CUA60113) and the Graduate Diploma of Classical Ballet (10296NAT).

<https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/youth-allowance>

VET Student Loans (VETSL)

Since 2019, the School has been able to offered student loans, like a university loan, to eligible students in our Diploma of Dance, Advanced Diploma of Dance and Graduate Diploma of Classical Ballet. This means that eligible students can apply for a government loan which is subject to indexation on their tuition fees. This then becomes a deferred loan for the student, with repayments deducted through the tax system once the student earns above the compulsory repayment threshold. The compulsory repayment threshold is different each year. The compulsory repayment threshold for the 2019-20 income year was \$51,957(you can make a voluntary repayment to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) at any time). For further information, please refer to the VETSL Debts section of the School’s website.