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LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

One of the most important matters when preparing for a semester abroad is finding suitable accommodation. Sometimes it can be frustrating, but all students have managed to find accommodation to suit their needs. Although the students are responsible for making their own accommodation arrangements, AE provides information about different options.

It's recommended to stay at a **hostel/hotel for a few days after arriving in Indonesia** and compare different housing options. This also allows you to meet fellow students and find roommates. Our partner [Agoda](#) has good deals on hotels.

Guesthouses (Kost)

Kosts are affordable, long-term guesthouses popular with students. They offer basic amenities, including a private room with a bed, desk, and sometimes a private bathroom.

- **Cost:** Depending on the location and facilities, costs range from IDR 1,500,000-3,500,000 per month (~€90-€210).
- **Inclusions:** Most costs include utilities like water and Wi-Fi, though electricity might be charged separately.
- **Social Environment:** Kosts are a good option for students wanting to immerse themselves in local culture while living with other students or young professionals.



Shared Villas

Sharing a villa with other students is a popular option. Villas typically include several bedrooms, a shared living space, kitchen, and often a pool.

- **Cost:** Monthly rent can range from IDR 4,000,000-10,000,000 (~€240-€600), depending on size, location, and amenities.
- **Inclusions:** Most villas include Wi-Fi, security, and cleaning services. Electricity and pool maintenance fees are sometimes extra.
- **Social Environment:** Great for students looking for a more luxurious, communal living experience.

Homestays

Homestays offer a more immersive experience, where students live with a local Balinese family.

- **Cost:** Typically, IDR 1,500,000-3,000,000 (~€90-€180) per month, depending on the location and the type of room.
- **Inclusions:** Includes meals and sometimes access to family activities. Ideal for students wanting to learn about Balinese culture.

What to Consider When Choosing Accommodation

- **Location:** Ideally, your accommodation should be close to Warmadewa University, which is located in the Denpasar area. Living nearby reduces travel time and makes it easier to attend classes and participate in campus activities.
- **Facilities:** Check if the accommodation has essential facilities like Wi-Fi, air conditioning, laundry services, and a kitchen. Make sure it fits your study and lifestyle needs.
- **Safety:** Always ensure the neighborhood is safe and secure. It's also advisable to ask whether the property has security staff or CCTV.
- **Budget:** Decide on a monthly budget for rent, utilities, and transportation. The cost of living in Bali can be very affordable, but accommodation prices vary depending on location and amenities.

Recommended Areas near Warmadewa University (Denpasar Campus)

- **Renon Area:** Renon is a central and convenient area close to Warmadewa University. It's filled with costs and apartments suited for students. There are many cafes, restaurants, and shops in the area, making it easy to live and study here.

- **Sanur Area:** Sanur is a beachside area that's still close to Warmadewa University. It's a bit more upscale compared to Renon, but you get the benefit of being near the beach. If you're interested in living near the coast, this area has many apartments and villas.
- **Canggu Area:** Canggu is one of the most popular areas for international students, digital nomads, and surfers. It's a trendy, vibrant beach town known for its laid-back vibe, great cafés, coworking spaces, and surf culture. While it's a bit farther from Warmadewa University than areas like Renon or Sanur, many students still choose to live in Canggu for its lifestyle appeal.

Accommodation Search Tips

- **Facebook Groups:** Join local expat or student groups, like "Bali Housing and Accommodation," for accommodation listings and recommendations.
- **Local Real Estate Agents:** You can use local agents who specialize in student housing. Some charge a small fee for helping find accommodation. Bukit Vista is a team of fun-loving professional hosts who love to work hard and play harder. They are the ambassadors to the neighborhoods in Bali and manage over 170+ unique properties, 12 Airbnb accounts and accumulated over 20,000 combined reviews.
- **Viewing Before Renting:** Always try to visit the property in person before committing. Photos can be misleading, and it's important to check the condition of the property and its proximity to campus.

International Real Estate agent (BUKIT VISTA)

Bukit Vista looked in their portfolio from a student's perspective and identified the most suitable and attractive accommodations for your semester abroad. Even if you do not find an accommodation on first glimpse, don't hesitate to contact Bukit Vista directly and to discuss your wishes. They will be more than happy to find the best possible solution for each of our students.

- They offer a wide range of accommodation, mostly in the popular areas such as Seminyak, Kerobokan, Umalas, Canggu, Jimbaran, Padang Padang and Uluwatu.
- They also offer student friendly prices with savings on tourist rates.
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General Accommodation Tips:

- **Budget for Extras:** Always ask if utilities (electricity, Wi-Fi, water) are included in the rent. These can add an extra IDR 300,000-600,000 (~€18-€36) per month.
- **Security Deposit:** Most rentals require a security deposit, usually the equivalent of one month's rent.
- **Scooter Parking:** Ensure the accommodation has adequate parking for scooters if you plan on renting one for transportation.



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The world has an interesting way of giving great experiences
to the ones who are passionate about their dreams.

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