Monash University was established in 1958 and in little more than 50 years has earned an international reputation for research and teaching excellence.

In the past 10 years we have built on our ambitions to become the largest university in Australia and have extended our reach across the globe. We have an international network of more than 270,000 graduates and have built campuses and centres in Malaysia, India and South Africa. We are the only Australian university active on four continents.

It says something about our ambition, that for a relatively young university, Monash ranks above world standards in almost all disciplines.

The Good Universities Guide, Australia’s most authoritative independent university ratings publication, has rated Monash highly in the categories that matter:

- ★★★★★ Student demand (2012)
- ★★★★★ Research grants (2012)
- ★★★★★ Cultural diversity (2012)
- ★★★★★ Student-staff ratio (2012)
- ★★★★★ Getting a full-time job (2012)

Monash is ranked at 60 in the world (the QS World University Rankings 2011):

**Discipline ranking**

- Top 50 in Art & Humanities
- Top 50 in Life Sciences & Biomedicine
- Top 50 in Social Sciences & Medicine
- Top 60 in Engineering & Technology

**Subject ranking**

- Top 50 in Law
- Top 100 in Computer Science & Information Systems
- Top 200 in Chemical Engineering
- Top 200 in Mechanical, Aeronautical & Manufacturing
- Top 200 in Mathematics
- Top 200 in Metallurgy & Materials
- Top 200 in Chemistry
- Top 200 in Geography & Area Studies
- Top 200 in Finance

Monash is a member of the Group of Eight, an alliance of leading Australian universities recognised for their excellence in teaching and research. Group of Eight universities produce graduates who find full-time employment sooner, begin on higher salaries, and are more likely to move onto postgraduate studies than graduates from other Australian universities.

Monash University is the only Australian member of the prestigious M8 Alliance of Academic Health Centres and Medical Universities. This global grouping includes Johns Hopkins University, the Sorbonne in Paris, Imperial College London and the Charite in Berlin.