Gadalung Summer Program
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Have you ever wondered what it would be like to go to university?

The Gadalung Summer Program is a great way to try it out.

You are invited to explore your future after high school over two days on campus at the University of Sydney.

You will:

• Explore campus and see what life as a uni student is really like
• Meet other students thinking about uni after school
• Discover the opportunities a university degree can provide within your chosen area of interest
• Connect with mob and find out about our mentoring and learning support programs
• Learn about scholarships, entry pathways and more!

First and foremost, I wish to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, their Elders, past, present and those to come. I also pay respects to you, your family and other community members from your home. I am a proud Koori woman and passionate advocate for health, wellbeing and education and am very excited that you are joining us at this year’s Gadalung program. The Program is designed to support you to continue your high school journey and onto tertiary education. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to connect with our University and become a future student. To help you decide to come to Sydney, you will learn about the support available to students through our academic workshops, study spaces, ongoing tutorial assistance, help with accommodation, peer and cultural mentoring and a range of other community networks that will help you settle in.

Many strong, proud Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have been on this journey before you, some of whom you will meet during your time here. We hope that you will become a member of this esteemed cohort in time. We look forward to seeing you during the Summer Program.

Much respect,

Professor Lisa Jackson Pulver AM
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services)
Choose your path

During the program, you’ll get to experience uni life in action, and be matched up with current students from your chosen area of interest. Keep an open mind and you’ll be surprised by where these paths could take you.

Select from the following options:

- Arts and Social Sciences
- Business and Law
- Education and Social Work
- Medicine and Health
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)
- Visual Arts, Music, Architecture and Design
Arts and Social Sciences

Are you passionate about communicating with others and sharing knowledge? Do you believe that a better understanding of people will lead to a more tolerant society?

Discover the most diverse faculty at Uni and explore Sydney through the humanities, policy, media, community and art. If you’ve ever wanted to make social change, this is the area is for you.

Future careers:
- Anthropologist
- Archaeologist
- Art Historian
- Creative Lead
- Editor or Publisher
- Economist
- Foreign Affairs and Trade Officer
- Historian
- Heritage Specialist
- Journalist
- Marketing Specialist
- Media Producer

Business and Law

Have dreams of becoming a lawyer or policy maker? Are you fascinated by true crime and the quest for justice? Got ideas about how you could change a community, or the world? Do you want to help others fight oppression and inequality?

Guided by current business and law students, check out the Law School’s model court room and learn how businesses and governments can contribute innovative solutions to some of the major challenges facing the world today, such as global warming, poverty, disadvantage and growth.

Future careers:
- Accountant
- Barrister
- Business Analyst
- Diplomat
- Economist
- Entrepreneur
- Judge
- Magistrate
- Management Consultant
- Marketing Executive
- Policy Advisor
- Politician
- Project Manager
- Project Officer
- Solicitor

Education and Social Work

Are you interested in a career that will engage both your heart and your mind? Do you want to help shape lives and provide support to those in need?

Experience what it’s like to engage young people by understanding different ways of learning and teaching. Discover ways you can provide professional support and pastoral care to community members and those in need.

Future careers:
- Accessibility Services Officer
- Case Worker
- Community Worker
- Counsellor
- Education Manager
- School Principal
- School Teacher
- Social Worker
- Youth Worker

Medicine and Health

Are you fascinated by the human body and how it works? Are you curious about how medicines are made and prescribed? Do you want to help people live healthier, happier, longer lives?

If so, then becoming a medical or health science professional could be the career for you. Discover the variety of different career paths and get a true insight to the work of a medical or health professional.

Future careers:
- Cancer Researcher
- Dentist
- Prosthetist
- Medical Scientist
- Medical Technician
- Orthodontist
- Doctor
- Obstetrician
- Paediatrician
- Pathologist
- Pharmacist
- Psychiatrist
Do you love discovering and making new things or anything to do with science? Do you like finding solutions to problems? Passionate about finding more efficient ways to get jobs done? Are you fascinated by the natural world and living creatures? Then perhaps a future in STEM is for you.

Ranging from mathematics, marine biology, veterinary science, virtual reality and experimenting in high tech labs, you’ll leave with an understanding of all the wonderful things to study in the field of science, technology, engineering and maths.

**Future careers:**
- Aeronautical Engineer
- Agricultural Scientist
- Astronomer
- Biomedical Engineer
- Biotechnology Researcher
- Chemical Engineer
- Civil Engineer
- Ecologist
- Environmental Policymaker
- Food Chemist
- Mathematician
- Medical Scientist
- Nutritionist
- Software Engineer

**Visual Arts, Music, Architecture and Design**

Do you find artistic inspiration in the unusual or mundane aspects of life? Do you love to draw, paint, sculpt, take photos, or build? Are you passionate about music and its expressive abilities? Do you enjoy solving puzzles, working with your hands, and being creative?

Join current University of Sydney students on a tour of the spaces where creativity happens on campus! Check out our brand-new facilities for all types of artistic pursuits, including state-of-the-art ceramics studios, film production studios, and the comprehensive timber and metal workshop. Gain insight into the cool gadgets architects and designers use in their work, such as laser cutters, 3D printers, VR tools and a range of other interactive equipment. Learn how students are sharing music, knowledge and culture through the Conservatorium of Music’s Indigenous Artist in Residence program.

**Future careers:**
- Artist
- Architect
- Arts Writer
- Craftsperson
- CURATOR
- Composer
- Digital Artist
- Event Producer
- Filmmaker
- Illustrator
- Industrial Designer
- Musician
- Painter
- Sound Artist
- Urban Designer

“I have made new friends, connections and discovered potential pathways while attending the program. I have considered a range of degrees to choose from for higher education and my future plans after high school.”

*Summer Program student*
“Through this Summer Program, I have discovered that there are a lot of support services at the University of Sydney for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to further their education.”

Summer Program student
Keeping you safe

COVID-19 Safety Information

In compliance with current NSW Health and University of Sydney COVID-19 safety measures, we will be taking the following actions to ensure the safety for all participants.

- The maximum occupancy of any workshop or university venue will kept within the allowable limit. Facilitating staff will ensure the maximum occupancy is not exceeded.
- Unless in a medical emergency, physical contact is not required in any workshop and participants will maintain a minimum of 1.5 m between them at all times.
- Hand sanitiser will be made available at the entry and exit of each venue. Additional hand sanitisers will be made available where possible.
- QR codes will be present for all guests and participants to sign in upon arrival to campus.
- Surfaces including tables, benches, equipment and keyboards will be disinfected after each use.
- Facilitators and participants may wear their own face mask if they so wish. Additional face masks will be available upon request.
- Enhanced cleaning will occur at the end of each day. After each day, the workshop spaces will be made available to allow for the COVID-19 cleaning procedures as supplied by GJK, the University contracted cleaning company.
- Any external facilitators will be required to complete a COVID-19 declaration form prior to attending.
- Bottled water and individually packaged food will be made available for participants. All meals will be provided adhering to COVID-19 safety requirements.
- All workshop materials will be placed on individual seats or made available to collect in an appropriate, socially distanced manner.
- Participants will be required to sign-in and provide their contact number prior to entry. These records will be kept and stored securely for a period of at least 28 days and, following the advice of the University, may be shared with NSW Health upon their request.

If you are feeling unwell, have been diagnosed with COVID-19, or have been in contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 within 14 days prior to the workshop, do not attend this program.

To assist us in keeping our community safe, whilst attending the Summer Program you must protect yourself and others by following any Australian Government Health Guidelines which are given to you at the commencement of the Summer Program or as varied during your program.

You can find the latest COVID-19 safety advice on the NSW Health website.

Information for parents and carers, teachers and schools

It is never too early for young people to start thinking about their future. The Gadalung Summer Program is designed to support students to help them explore their options and consider a university education.

The Summer Program is free of charge – the University of Sydney covers the food, travel and the on-campus experience for each student.

Our dedicated staff will provide students with a culturally safe and inclusive experience while facilitating access to information and resources, supporting them to make choices that are right for them.

Health and safety

Every student’s safety is our top priority. We adopt a one staff member to eight students supervision ratio at all times. Our staff members are qualified in first aid, resuscitation and child protection.

How can I help?

Parents, carers and teachers can help students to complete their application by the deadline 26 November 2022.

Can’t make it in person?

Join us online for Gadalung Live! Thursday 13 January 2022, from 4.30pm. Register Now

Parent and Carers Program

Parents and carers are welcome to stay on campus during the program. While your child enjoys the activities, we have arranged tours and opportunities to connect with other parents and our staff at the University of Sydney. We will have space available if you’d like to work remotely on campus also. Just let us know when your child registers for the program.
How to apply

The Gadalung Summer Program is open to all Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students commencing Year 10, 11 or 12 in NSW in 2022.

You’ll need to be able to travel to the university for the program on 13 – 14 January 2022. Travel support will be made available to those who need it, within 100km of the University of Sydney campus.

In the application, you’ll be asked to tell us in a few words:

What are your future study or career aspirations? Let us know your dream degree if you have one.

How would coming to the Gadalung Summer Program at the University of Sydney help you to explore your future after school?

What do you want to find out more about?

Application due date: Friday 26 November 2022

Apply online now