

Student News



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Semester 2: Teaching for most units will commence on Monday 24 August

Due to COVID-19, we've made changes to our Semester 2 2020 dates, including teaching, exams and study break periods. Most students will return on 24 August, but some units will be commencing earlier, during the Semester 2 Early session.

It is important you check the session and corresponding dates for each of your units through [Sydney Student](#). Check our [study dates page](#) for details. A new version of the [student wall calendar](#) is now available showing both the Semester 2 and Semester 2 Early session dates to help you plan your semester.

We're working hard on plans for a phased return to campus for staff and students and look forward to welcoming you back as soon as it is safe to do so. Keeping our community safe remains our priority, and we're working to ensure students are able to experience on-campus activities in a way that aligns with NSW Health guidelines. We will also continue to provide remote learning for those students not able to join us in person in Semester 2. Keep an eye on your inbox for further updates during the semester break.

It's been the semester none of us expected, but we made it. Enjoy a well-earned break and we can't wait to see you back on our campuses just as soon as we can.

Speed up your degree with a winter intensive

Not sure how to spend the extra long break? You can enrol in one of more than 200 winter intensive units on offer to accelerate



your course, catch up on a unit of study or balance your timetable. [Find out more about studying in the break.](#)

Student Innovation Challenge closing soon

In a virtual expo-style event, students pitch their start-ups, interdisciplinary projects and innovative research. Have a world-changing idea? [Applications close 25 June.](#)



Refugee Week 2020: Staying connected during COVID-19

Adapting to a new life as a refugee in Australia is difficult enough, without the added stresses of a global pandemic. [How do refugees feel settled in Sydney](#), at a time when the world itself is so unsettled?



Notices

- Semester 1 results will be sent to your student email account on Wednesday 8 July. [Find out more about results.](#)
- If you're considering extending your course through further coursework opportunities or Honours, please be aware that the deadline for transferring into the combined [Bachelor of Advanced Studies](#) for Semester 1 2021 is Friday 17 August. For more information, please visit the 'How to apply' section on the [internal course applications](#) page.
- The wireless network is being upgraded on Saturday 27 June to improve performance, efficiency and coverage. Most devices will automatically reconnect to the updated network. [Contact ICT](#) if you need assistance.
- Be cautious of emails or phone calls which may be pretending to be reputable organisations to gain access to your personal information. Never provide your personal, banking or superannuation details to strangers. For more information about scams, visit the [Scamwatch website.](#)



Stay connected

Applications open for the Westpac Future Leaders Scholarship

- If you're planning to start a postgraduate degree next year and passionate about driving change, apply now for the [Westpac Future Leaders Scholarship](#). You'll receive up to \$120,000 to support your studies and take part in a nine-month Leadership Development Program.

DISRUPTION: student writing competition

- Win up to \$1000 in Honi Soit's 2020 writing competition. Submit your fiction and non-fiction work that pushes the boundaries of form and concept, and innovatively questions what it means to disrupt and to be disrupted. [Entries close 6 July](#).

Sydney Ideas – live events online

- Our public talks program continues to tackle the big questions, and you can tune in from the comfort of your couch. On Thursday 18 June our panellists tackle the [Road to recovery: vulnerability and building an inclusive future](#). The following week, our experts discuss [Anti-racism in the US and Australia: a moment of change](#).

Margaret Ida Howie Scholarship

- Awards from the Margaret Ida Howie Fund are made to Indigenous Australian women in New South Wales who are undertaking tertiary study. The 2020 application deadline has been extended until 30 June. [Find out more and apply if you're eligible](#).

Best of #usydonline

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