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Study abroad is back – are you ready to travel?

Now that international travel has returned, it's time to explore the options, discover the destinations and plan your overseas study. Take off on a short-term program this winter, or apply for exchange in Semester 1, 2023.



Get help from fellow students with our chat platform

Not sure where to go or who to ask? Need help with something related to student life? Connect and chat to experienced Peer Support Advisers who are trained to provide tailored assistance on everything uni life.



Message on the current situation in Ukraine

The recent escalation of the situation in Ukraine following the invasion by Russia has deeply saddened and concerned many members of our University community, which includes students and staff with Ukrainian citizenship, and still more of Ukrainian background, or who have family and friends in the region. Our thoughts are with them and similarly extend to those in our community with Russian citizenship or ties to the Russian community who deplore this act of violence against their Ukrainian neighbours.

If you're experiencing distress, we encourage you to contact our <u>University Counselling Service</u>, or to call or text our <u>After Hours Mental Wellbeing Support Line</u> (5pm to 9am weeknights and 24/7 on weekends and public holidays).

Notices

- If you have been affected by the floods and severe weather in New South Wales and
 Queensland, please <u>visit our website</u> for the latest updates and information about support
 available to you.
- If you have questions about your degree, you can book in with an adviser who can help you understand your degree rules and how to plan your units of study. Book an appointment.
- This Friday 4 March is the last day to add or change a unit of study. Make sure you check your enrolment in Sydney Student.
- Our campuses should be a safe and supportive environment for all staff and students.
 Our <u>Student Charter</u> outlines the responsibilities and expectations between staff, students and the University. Discrimination or harassment of any form will not be tolerated. If you witness any concerning behaviour, you can report it confidentially to the <u>Student Affairs unit</u>.



Marching with pride at Mardi Gras

Glitter Gala 2022

It's the most fabulous night of the year! Get dressed up in your glitziest gear to celebrate our LGBTIQ community, and dance and party with friends. Make sure you grab your tickets ASAP for USU's Glitter Gala on Thursday 17 March.

Mardi Gras picnic

Get your crew together – it's picnic time! You can picnic in a participating venue or pick up a delicious take away picnic pack offer to celebrate Mardi Gras weekend. If you're lucky you'll even be treated to some roving entertainment.

Watch the parade

Tickets for Mardi Gras may have sold out, but you can tune in to the livestream on the night to see our University of Sydney float take to the Sydney Cricket Ground stage this Saturday.



Get Involved

International Women's Day with the USU

In celebration of International Women's Day 2022, the USU has organised a big line-up of activities on Tuesday 8 March. Lend a hand packing birthing kits, grab some afternoon tea, and hear from high-flying women about their careers. Get your free ticket now.

Welcome to Uni Party

Head to Hermann's after class on Friday 4 March for free food, great entertainment, and a chance to get to know your student reps at the Student Representative Council's Welcome to Uni party. Don't miss out – RSVP now.

Join our Discord community

<u>Join the University's online Discord Community</u>, a virtual hang out, discussion, and games space where you can connect with other students. The Peer Support Advisors will also be online to answer your questions from Monday to Friday, 10am–5pm.

Learn the local lingo

If you're an international student, don't miss the first Australian Discussion Group on Thursday 10 March. Meet other international students, share snacks and stories, and get an intro to Sydney life. Sign up now.

Sydney Ideas - Young people as experts

Too often young people's voices are ignored in discussions that affect them. <u>Tune in to to this special online Sydney Ideas event</u> on Thursday 10 March to hear how young voices are being centred in changing the out-of-home-care system.

International Women's Day: Innovation insights

To help celebrate International Women's Day, <u>get around this free online event</u> on Thursday 10 March. You'll hear from founder expert Aivee Robinson, an accomplished social tech entrepreneur helping people change the world from their workplace.

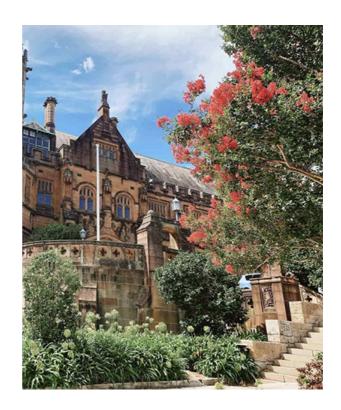
Insta of the week

With all the rainy weather we've been having, isn't it nice to be reminded of sunnier times?

(P.S. If you're new to Sydney we promise: it doesn't always rain this much!)

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