

Student News

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Making the leap from study to employment

Join us this Disability Inclusion Week (12-16 September) for an online panel event where fellow students and graduates share their experiences of support in the workplace, as well as tips on how to showcase your unique strengths and skills to employers. [Register for the free event.](#)



USU's Speaker Series: Behrouz Boochani

Join Behrouz Boochani, award-winning journalist, cultural advocate and filmmaker, for the USU's next Speaker Series event which will be held in The Refectory on Tuesday 13 September. Behrouz will be presenting virtually from New Zealand, where he currently lives as a refugee. [Register now for the free event, exclusive to USU members.](#)



Radical Pride and Consent Week

This Radical Pride and Consent Week (12-16 September), join University partners and an array of special guests to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community, and engage in



important discussions around sex, gender, relationships and consent. [Find out more.](#)

The Survivor Hub is running free peer led support groups for survivors of sexual assault on campus and online. [For more information, visit The Survivor Hub website.](#)

Important information about financial scams targeting students

The University is aware of some scams which have impacted students and would like to ensure you are aware of these potential recent scams and that support is available to you.

Scammers may approach you in person or contact you via phone, email or text message. They will usually pretend to be from an official organisation and may falsely claim to know about your family, claim that your visa or studies may be at risk, or that you are in trouble with the police. If someone approaches you in person or contacts you demanding money or personal information, please don't panic, don't engage with them, and don't agree to anything. If you think someone has your bank details, please contact your financial institution as soon as possible.

If you feel threatened or concerned, make sure you seek advice from someone you trust. There is free and confidential support at the University. An [SRC](#) or [SUPRA](#) caseworker can help you to understand if the request or communication you have received is legitimate. International students also have 24/7 [on demand access to wellbeing and safety professionals through the Sonder app](#). If someone continues to harass you and causes you to feel unsafe, please reach out to emergency services.

Many common scams, useful tips on how you can protect yourself and ways to report a scam can be found on the [Scamwatch website](#).

Notices

- Open Learning Environment (OLE) In-Country Experience units are back! Delve into a new language and culture with our partner institutions in Germany, Korea, Japan, and more. Places are limited. [Applications close Friday 16 September, 4:00pm.](#)
 - The University wants to get a better understanding of where you go to find the information you need as a current student. [Tell us what is important to you by completing this survey.](#) Your feedback will help us identify opportunities where we can improve your experience. The survey will take approximately 15 to 20 minutes to complete.
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Event highlights

Battle of the Bands

[The USU's Battle of the Bands](#), which has helped launched the careers of well-known Australian artists such as Cloud Control and The Jezabels, returns to Manning Bar Tuesday 13 to Thursday 15 September. [Get your tickets now for the heats](#).

Dr Kylie Moore-Gilbert Lecture

Join academic Dr Kylie Moore-Gilbert as she discusses the complex nature of state hostage-taking and ways Australia can tackle this growing global issue. [Register now for the free event, available in-person and online](#).

Chancellor's Book Fair

Don't miss out on the Chancellor's Committee Book Fair this Saturday 10 September to Wednesday 14 September in the University's Great Hall. [Plan your visit and learn more about the Fair](#).



Get involved

Staying on Track Sessions

Need help staying on top of your studies this semester? [Sign up for a session](#) to learn about the wellbeing, learning and curriculum services available to help you succeed, have your questions answered and hear from current students too.

USU Language Exchange

With international travel back on the cards, it's a good time to refresh your language skills. Whether you're a beginner, an advanced learner or native speaker, [the USU Language Exchange Program](#) is open to anyone interested in languages and is free for USU members.

Interested in doing honours?

Ever wondered what undertaking an honours year involves? [Join us online Monday 12 September at 12pm for our honours information session](#), where you'll learn about different types of honours programs, the transferrable skills you'll develop in your honours year and future research pathways.

Take your studies to Southeast Asia

Want to take your research skills beyond the classroom? Join leading researchers from the Sydney Southeast Asia Centre in the Philippines, Indonesia and Singapore to tackle real-world issues. [Learn more about how to apply for the 2023 field schools.](#)

R U OK? Day podcast

In recognition of [R U OK? Day](#) on Thursday 8 September, [PeerPod is back](#) with a new episode about managing your mental health at uni. [Stream the episode now via Soundcloud.](#)

Student spotlight

Ever wondered if it's worth joining a society?
Or where the best spots on campus are to meet new people? Four of our international students share their experience and tips about making the most of uni life.

Image of the week

Did you spot the Iron Throne on campus last week?

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