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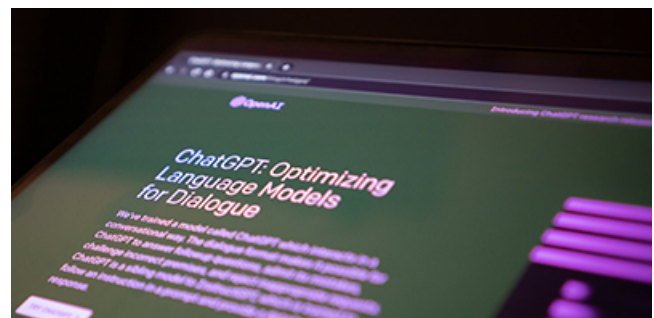
Week 2, Semester 1

Welcome to Week 2! We hope you enjoyed your first week of classes and are settling into uni life. In this week's edition, we explore how artificial intelligence (AI) is shaping the future of education and how to get involved in sustainability on campus. We also share some fun news, including how to live and study in California and how our community celebrated Mardi Gras, so jump right in.

This week's top stories

ChatGPT and AI: embracing the future of education

Artificial intelligence (AI) is taking the world by storm. [We explore the possibilities and limitations of AI](#) tools like ChatGPT in education, and how you might come across them in your studies.



From the classroom to community: getting involved in sustainability on campus

We share everything you need to know about [getting involved in sustainability at University](#), from studying the practice to joining sustainability-driven clubs and societies.



Don't miss out on our extended Welcome Program!

While classes have started, there's still plenty of fun events and activities happening on

campus as part of our extended Welcome Program. [Check out the full range of events.](#)



Deadline for adding Semester 1 units of study

Friday 3 March is the deadline for adding Semester 1 units of study. You may have access to a unit in Canvas but that doesn't always mean you're properly enrolled. Log in to Sydney Student to check your units (go to 'My studies', then 'Units of study').

Have the chance to win a \$100 gift card by helping us support international students

You're invited to participate in the Australian Government's Best Practice International Student Engagement survey, which aims to identify what good practice in international student engagement looks like and will help inform Government and institutions about how international students can be effectively supported.

By participating in this survey, you will have a chance to win one of ten \$100 Myer and Coles Group Gift Cards. Your responses are anonymous, and the survey will take about 15 minutes to complete. The survey closes Wednesday 1 March.

Need to know

- As a student, you have [unlimited digital access to The Daily Telegraph and The Australian](#), as well as metro publications including *The Courier-Mail*, *Herald Sun*, *The Advertiser* and *NT News*. [Register with your University email address](#) to subscribe.
- The updated [Smoke-Free Environment Policy \(pdf, 193KB\)](#) is now in effect. Please note that smoking (including e-cigarettes and vaping) is prohibited on campus, except in designated smoking areas. Keep informed about the [risks of smoking](#) and [vaping](#).

- You'll receive an invitation to join Innowell shortly, a digital platform that places mental health resources and advice at your fingertips. [Learn more about Innowell](#) and what other [health and wellbeing support](#) we offer at the University.
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Event highlights

1 March | Womens' Collective picnic

You're invited to [meet the Womens' Collective](#) and learn about their initiatives and activities while enjoying free food and refreshments on campus.

1 March | Party @ Manning

To celebrate WorldPride, Manning are bringing back everyone's favourite tribute band – BABBA! Supported by Drag Kings and DJ Soc, it's sure to be a night to remember. [Get your tickets](#).

7 March | Explore Muslim Sydney

[Join the Sydney University Muslim Students' Association](#) (SUMA) for a jam-packed day of delicious cultural food, games and activities.

What's happening at Sydney

Live and study in California

Want to experience life in the United States? The University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) mobility program gives students the opportunity to live and study in California for six weeks in-between Semester 1 and 2. Find out more about the program on the [United States Studies Centre website](#).

SUSF Student Gym Pass

Make your mark in 2023 with a Sydney Sport & Fitness (SUSF) Student Gym Pass. Enjoy unlimited access to all SUSF facilities until the end of Semester 2 exams, including an indoor 50m heated swimming pool, indoor rock climbing and bouldering center and over 80 group fitness classes per week. Find the pass that suits you best on the [SUSF website](#).

Egyptian-Australian community initiative at the Chau Chak Wing Museum

The Chau Chak Wing Museum are seeking members of Sydney's Egyptian-Australian community to participate in an initiative that aims to re-think the display, interpretation and presentation of

Egypt's culturally dispersed heritage. To submit your expression of interest to participate, email Candace Richards: candace.richards@sydney.edu.au.

Accelerate your startup's growth with Genesis

Want \$25,000 equity-free funding to put towards your start-up? [Apply for Genesis](#), a University program that supports startup founders with mentoring, a supportive entrepreneurial community and funding. Applications close Friday 17 March. Find out more about the program by visiting the [Genesis webpage](#).

How will AI impact the future of work?

Join the Educational Innovation team and founder of Pioneera, Danielle Owen Whitford, on Thursday 2 March for an insightful discussion about [how artificial intelligence will impact your future career](#).

Go on an adventure with USU Day Trips

Explore Sydney and make new friends by joining the USU Day Trips – a new trip awaits every Thursday during Semester. Find out more about [USU Day Trips](#) and [get your tickets](#).

Social shoutout

The [#usydpride](#) was strong at the 45th Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras last Saturday! A big thank you to all who marched with us and cheered us along.

Tag [@sydney_uni](#) or [#usyd](#) for your chance to be featured.

Don't forget to join us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#) and [WeChat](#) to stay up to date with the latest news and events.



Student resources

[Student website](#) | [Canvas](#) | [myUni](#) | [Sydney Student](#) | [Key dates](#) | [Student life, wellbeing and support](#)

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