

Student News

**27 March 2023**

Week 6, Semester 1

We're in Week 6, which means census date is this Friday 31 March and mid-semester break is just two weeks away! In this week's edition, we share some exciting global opportunities, including this year's Sydney Abroad Fair and Virtual International Careers Fair. We also share some important information about scheduled industrial action on campus this Friday 31 March.

This week's top stories

Sydney Abroad Fair

If you've ever wanted to live and study overseas, the [Sydney Abroad Fair](#) on Tuesday 4 April is your chance to discover what global exchange programs are on offer and how to apply. [Register for the Sydney Abroad Fair](#) and receive a free tote bag!



Virtual International Careers Fair

Whether you're looking to apply your bilingual skills in the workplace or want to explore career options overseas, the [Virtual International Careers Fair](#) on Thursday 30 March from 5:30 pm is your opportunity to learn about and explore international careers. [Register for the Virtual International Careers Fair](#).



USU Speaker Series: Dr Cathy Foley

[Join award-winning Chief Scientist Dr Cathy Foley](#) on Thursday 20 April from 6 pm for an

informative panel discussion on equality and diversity in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM). Tickets are free for USU members.



Scheduled industrial action on campus

Industrial action is scheduled to take place this Friday 31 March. [Here's what you need to know](#) about the possible 24 hour strike and what it means for you and your classes.

HDR students are also affected by the scheduled strike. [Find out what this means for you.](#)

Finalise your units of study by census date, Friday 31 March

Census date, this Friday 31 March, is the last day you will be able to finalise or withdraw from any units of study, finalise your residency status, suspend your studies or discontinue your course without it affecting your grades.

Please note that if industrial action goes ahead on Friday 31 March, the Student Centre will be closed for in-person enquiries, but will remain contactable online or over the phone. Check the notices page on Wednesday 29 March for confirmation of industrial action.

The Student Centre will remain open from Monday to Thursday this week for in-person enquiries.

If you have questions about census date, please contact the Student Centre as early as possible. You can visit the Student Centre from Monday to Thursday, make an enquiry online or call the Student Centre on 1800 SYD UNI (1800 793 864).

Need to know

- The University's Camperdown/Darlington free bus shuttle service is expanding, which means more stops and services will be available across all three campus bus services. The expanded bus services and new timetables will be available from April 2023. [Visit campus bus timetables to find out more.](#)

- If you are travelling to Australia from China, including Hong Kong and Macau, you [no longer need to provide proof of a negative pre-departure test for COVID-19](#).
 - Student life can be challenging – we're here to support you. From resources to help keep your mental health and wellbeing on track, such as [Innowell](#), to [health and wellbeing services](#), the University offers a range of support to help you through student life.
 - [Daylight Savings Time](#) ends on Sunday 2 April in New South Wales (NSW). Clocks in NSW will be put backward an hour, so if you're studying elsewhere in Australia or overseas, make sure to double check the local time.
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Event highlights

28 March | Deep Listening: Stories of Country

Join the Chau Chak Wing Museum on Tuesday 28 March from 5 pm to [celebrate the launch of Deep Listening: Stories of Country](#) – a five-part podcast series that explores Indigenous connections to Country.

28 March | Green Impact 2023 launch event

[Join the University's sustainability team](#) on Tuesday 28 March from 12 pm on campus to celebrate the launch of Green Impact 2023. Meet new people, enjoy free food and drinks and learn about this year's program.

4 April | The fight for democracy in Asia

[Join the United States Studies Centre \(USSC\)](#) on Tuesday 4 April from 5 pm for a panel discussion with leaders across the region about the state of play for democracy in Asia.

Apply for an advertised bursary

Applications for advertised bursaries are now open. Advertised bursaries are mini scholarships providing financial support for specific challenges or circumstances and are available for both undergraduate and postgraduate domestic students with assistance ranging from \$500 to \$5000. If you have questions about financial support, submit a financial support enquiry via the Services Portal. Applications close Friday 14 April.

What's happening at Sydney

Know your rights as a renter

Are you renting in Sydney? It's important to know your rights and responsibilities as a tenant in New South Wales. The [Students' Representative Council \(SRC\) Accommodation Guide](#) and [Insider Guides guide to student accommodation in Australia](#) are great resources for student renters.

Represent your faculty with pride in RUNSYDUNI 2023

Whether you're an avid runner or love a light stroll, [RUNSYDUNI, a 4km fun run around campus](#), is a great way to represent your faculty or school and make new friends, all while getting your steps in for the day! RUNSYDUNI will be held on Wednesday 11 May from 1 pm and is free for all students, so register now.

Express your interest to participate in BioQuest April 2023

Calling all plant and animal lovers! Expressions of interest (EOI) are now open for BioQuest April 2023 – a global challenge where teams take photos and identify plants and animals to win 'gold'. [Submit your EOI for BioQuest April 2023](#).

Explore study and career opportunities in France

Interested in studying or working in France? [Join the French Day Panel Discussions event](#) on Tuesday 4 April from 3 pm at the A04 RD Watt Building to learn about student mobility opportunities to study in France as well as internship opportunities with French businesses.

Egyptian-Australian community initiative at the Chau Chak Wing Museum

The Chau Chak Wing Museum is seeking members of our Egyptian-Australian community to [offer feedback on the current display and interpretation of ancient Egypt in the museum](#). Participants will be asked to share their insights and experiences after visiting the gallery in a research survey, which will assist with future exhibitions and programs.

Where will a career in environment and sustainability take you?

Wondering where a career in environment or sustainability might take you? Join the [Sydney Environment Institute's \(SEI\) employment pathways workshop](#) on Tuesday 4 April from 12 pm and hear from consultancy professionals championing environmental and sustainability values about how their own journeys into the sector.

Join the student feedback panel

First-year students are invited to [join the University's student feedback panel](#). Student members of the panel will participate in two online surveys per semester and will receive a gift voucher to the value of \$100 after the first two surveys, and another gift voucher to the value of \$150 after the second two surveys.

Learn a new language overseas

They say the best way to learn a new language is to practice in an authentic environment, so if you're looking to gain new language skills fast apply for our [Open Learning Environment \(OLE\) In-Country Experience units](#) by Thursday 6 April 4 pm.

Student spotlight: 2023 Westpac Scholars Trust awardees

Meet the exceptional members of our University community that have been awarded Westpac Future Leader and Social Impact scholarships.

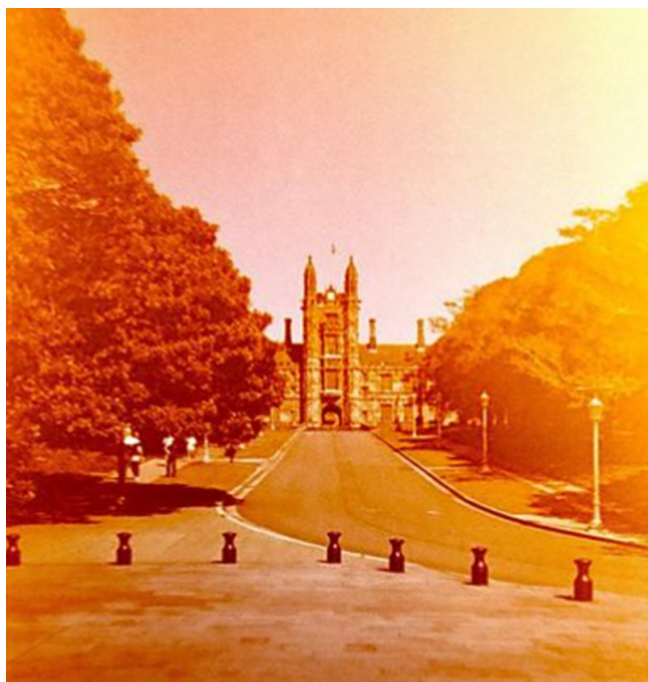


Social shoutout

We love this old-school photo of the Quadrangle from University Avenue! [@joeshoemaker1](#), are you a time traveller?

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



Student resources

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