



17 July 2023

Two weeks until Semester 2

Semester 2 is almost here! We hope you've had a wonderful break and are feeling prepared for the semester ahead. In this week's edition of Student News, we're excited to share what's happening on campus in the lead up to classes.

This week's top stories

Get involved in our Welcome Program

Celebrate the start of Semester 2 with our [Welcome Program](#) for all students – your opportunity to connect with your community and immerse yourself in campus life.



From meeting your peers and learning about your course during Faculty Welcome Week to joining clubs and societies, scoring freebies and partying at [USU's Welcome Fest](#), there's something for everyone at Welcome. Check out our [Welcome Planner](#) to find and register for events.

Access pop-up support on campus

There's a range of [academic, financial and health and wellbeing support](#) available to you on campus in the lead up to and during semester.



For study-related support, including your course, enrolment and timetable, [make an appointment to visit the Student Centre](#) pop-up on Level 3 Fisher Library, open Monday to Friday, 10 am to 4 pm until 31 August.

For advice and support around student life, visit the Welcome Hub on Level 3 Wentworth Building, open Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm until 31 August.

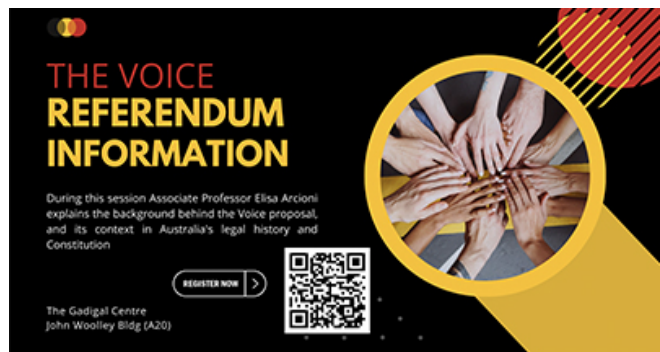
Welcome to your University

Whether you're new to the University or have been studying with us offshore, we're excited to welcome you to our campus. Join us at [International Student Welcome](#) on Thursday 20 and Friday 21 July for a formal welcome ceremony in the Great Hall, and the chance to meet your community at Info Fair.



Information session on the Voice to Parliament

Want to learn more about the Voice to Parliament? Join the Gadigal Centre on Wednesday 26 July for an [information session on the upcoming referendum](#). The session will begin with a film screening, followed by a Q&A session with Dr Elisa Arcioni and a free lunch.



Need to know

- Emergencies can arise at any time and for a variety of reasons. Please familiarise yourself with our [safety procedures](#) and watch this [video about our emergency procedures](#).
- In the event of an emergency, it's important we have the correct contact information for you. You can [update your personal details](#), including your phone number, emergency contact details, addresses and personal email, in [Sydney Student](#).
- The Rose Street Carpark will be closed from Monday 17 July to facilitate the construction of the Shepherd Street Building. Visit the [Getting to Campus webpage](#) for alternative travel modes to campus and additional parking facilities.

University events

19 July | Paddock to

20 July | Unissued

27 July | Sydney Ideas:

Pub

Join the Sydney Institute of Agriculture on Wednesday 19 July at Plough & Harrow in Camden for an evening of research chats and agricultural-themed trivia. Register for the [Paddock to Pub event](#).

Diplomas

Join the Chau Chak Wing Museum (CCWM) on Thursday 20 July, 3–5 pm for the opening of [Unissued Diplomas](#) – an international exhibition that honours the memory of Ukrainian students who will never graduate

the loneliness epidemic

How widespread is loneliness across the world? Join Sydney Ideas and leading epidemiologist and population behavioural scientist Melody Ding for [a talk on the loneliness epidemic](#), covering the trends and predictors of loneliness and why it's a public health issue.

USU events**From 17 July | Language Exchange Program**

Whether you're a beginner or native speaker, the [USU Language Exchange Program](#) is a fun, flexible and free way to make multilingual friends and learn something new.

25 July | Campus Race

Do you have what it takes to be crowned this semester's Campus Race champion? Join us on Tuesday 25 July for [Campus Race](#) – your chance to familiarise yourself with our University, make new friends and win prizes.

26 July | Welcome to Sydney Party

Celebrate the start of Semester 2 with [USU's Welcome to Sydney Party](#). Join us at Manning Bar on Wednesday 26 July from 6 pm till late for a fun-filled evening of free food, drink specials, music and more.

What's happening at Sydney**Celebrate over 100 years of global connections**

To celebrate over 100 years of welcoming international students to our community, we're hosting a range of events and activities throughout Semester 2, including [a celebratory BBQ](#), an art exhibition and symposium. Keep an eye on Student News and on our social media channels to learn more about how you can get involved.

Find your way with the Sydney Uni app

The Sydney Uni app is your gateway to university life. Plan and register for our Welcome Program, access your class timetable, find food outlets or book a study space, GP or library appointment with the Sydney Uni app. Download the [Sydney Uni app for Android](#) or the [Sydney Uni app for iOS](#).

Have the chance to win \$25,000 to support your startup

Accelerate your startup's growth with the [Business School's startup program, Genesis](#). Learn more about the program with the [Genesis Cohort 32 Info Webinar](#) tomorrow, Tuesday 18 July from 7 pm, and prepare your application by attending a [range of masterclasses](#) in Semester 2. Applications for Genesis open Friday 21 July.

Submit an artwork or story for the chance to win \$250

Entries are still open for the [Queer and Trans Joy and Euphoria as Resistance creative writing and art competition](#). LGBTQIA+ students and allies are encouraged to enter and share their stories and experiences in any medium for the chance to win a \$250 prize. Entries close 5 pm Monday 24 July and winners will be announced at an awards and celebration night in August.

Nobel Prize laureate Professor Steven Chu talks new climate data

Join Professor Steven Chu, a Nobel Prize laureate and former U.S. Secretary of Energy during the Obama administration, in person on Monday 24 July from 4 pm as he presents new and informative data on climate change. Register for the [climate change and paths to a sustainable future event](#).

Attend the NSW Rhodes Scholarship information session

Interested in pursuing postgraduate study at Oxford University? The Rhodes Scholarship is a life-changing opportunity that has helped generations of young people to succeed. Attend the NSW Rhodes Scholarship information session on Thursday 27 July to find out if you're eligible and how to apply.

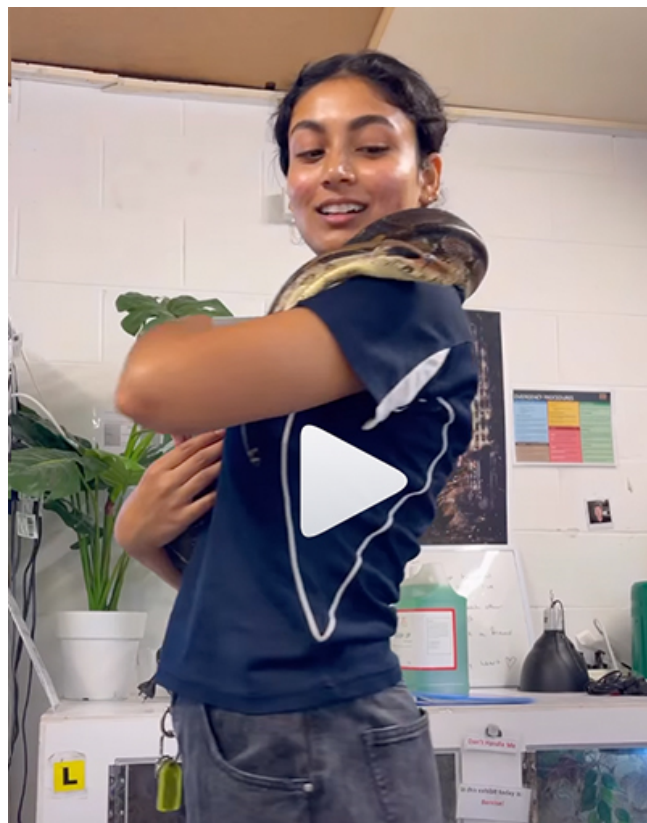
Social shoutout

Here's to Semester 2 being as fun and rewarding as Semester 1 was for Vet student Asfiya! Click the image to watch [@itsasfifi](#)'s recap of the semester that was.

We love to see what you get up to during semester, so 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 on the latest news and events.



Student resources

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

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