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Week 12, Semester 2

It's Week 12, so there's only two weeks of classes before exams. You've got this! In today's edition, we're celebrating our students' community contributions and we share plenty of new opportunities for you to enjoy your time on campus.

## Top stories this week

### Recognising our remarkable international students

[Ashrika Paruthi and Olaitan Temitope Ogunbodede](#) have been named finalists in the NSW International Student of the Year Awards – Higher Education. Learn about their wide-reaching impact and contributions to our community.



### Sharing knowledge for mutually beneficial outcomes

Our [Service Learning in Indigenous Communities program](#) gives students the opportunity to collaborate on priority issues in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. Hear from our 2023 student cohort and find out how to apply for 2024.



## Notices

- Check your [Semester 2 exam timetable](#) for the type of exam you're sitting and where it will be taking place. [More information about exams](#) is available on our website.

- Do you know the difference between a simple extension and special consideration? If your circumstances change and you need support, read through our [knowledge article to find out what options are available to you](#) and how to apply.
  - Your [Student Services and Amenities Fee \(SSAF\)](#) for Semester 2 is due on Thursday 2 November. You can view your outstanding SSAF amount in [Sydney Student](#).
  - Our Mental Health Month wellbeing event on 25 October has moved from JFR Plaza to Cadigal Green. Join us from 11 am to 1:30 pm for a range of free activities that support your mental health and wellbeing.
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## Spin to Win with Student Life Grants

Join us on Tuesday 24 October from 12 to 2 pm at the Eastern Avenue Law Lawns for an exciting opportunity to spin the wheel and win amazing prizes. Discover more about the [Student Life Grants program](#) and how you can initiate your own student project at the University, with chances to win coffee cups, drink vouchers, and succulents.

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## Free events at USYD

### Be part of the innovative future

Don't miss out on your chance to connect, explore and be part of the next generation of innovators at the [Sydney Innovation Festival](#). Join us on campus, 26 October from 12:30 pm for a suite of inspiring events.

### Rare reads and treasured texts

Calling all buyers, sellers, and lovers of books! [The Sydney Rare Book Fair](#) will be held from 26 to 28 October in our beautiful gothic MacLaurin Hall at the Camperdown Campus, where Australia's best antiquarian book dealers will showcase their treasures.

### From the pin factory to the iPhone

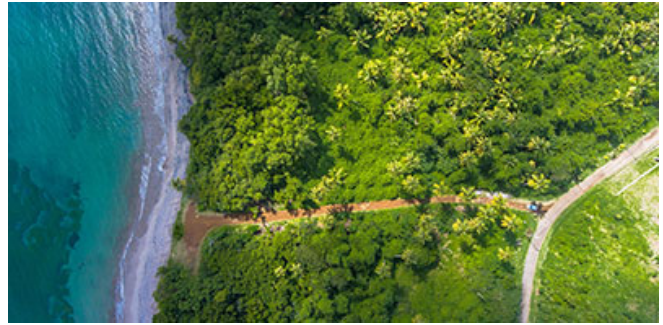
Hear from [Sir John Kay, one of Britain's leading economists, as he discusses the changing nature of production](#) and business organisation from 5 to 7:30 pm on 16 November in the Social Sciences Building.

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## Free activities on campus

### 31 Oct | Addressing UN Sustainable Development Goals

[Join leading researchers from 5 pm at the Charles Perkins Centre](#) as they discuss the UN Global Sustainable Development Report findings and the imperative need for multidisciplinary research. Enjoy networking, drinks and canapés following the event.



## 31 Oct | Halloween Night at USYD

Film Studies and the United States Studies Centre invite you to a [special outdoor screening of John Carpenter's horror classic, Halloween \(1978\)](#). Registrations are essential. Arrive at 7pm to flex your knowledge in our horror cinema trivia.



## 2023 Sydney Peace Prize Award Ceremony and Lecture

The Sydney Peace Prize recognises leading global voices who promote peace, justice and non-violence. [Join us on 2 November to honour 2023 laureate Nazanin Boniadi](#) and her dedication to promoting freedom and justice for the people of Iran.



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## Study and career development opportunities

### Drive positive mental health outcomes for fellow students

[Apply to be on the batyr student executive team](#) and help lead mental health events on campus. You'll develop skills in event management, team leadership and communication, advocacy and preventative education, while smashing stigma and starting positive conversations about mental health at university. Applications close 3 November.

### Collaborate with the best minds in quantum technology

Are you a final-year quantum technology student? Applications are now open for the [Sydney Quantum CSIRO Next Generation Honours Scholarship](#). Don't miss this unique opportunity to



tackle real-world challenges with some of the best minds in academia, industry and the CSIRO. Applications close Friday 13 November.

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## Social shoutout

If you wandered past the Quadrangle last week, you would've seen our graduates (some even from 2020!) in their hats and gowns. Congratulations to [@autybynature](#) and all our graduates. If you're graduating soon, get excited!

We love to see what you get up to during the 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.



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## Student resources

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

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