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Week 5, Semester 1

Welcome to Week 5, student. Mid-semester break is only one week away! This week, our second Housing Hacks article takes you through the process of searching and applying for a rental property in Sydney. Find out how you can win prizes, enjoy global cuisines and explore your options for studying overseas at the Sydney Abroad Fair, and don't miss out on tickets for Raising the Bar, Sydney's night of inspirational talks.

Trending this week



Housing Hacks: how to find and apply for a rental property

Finding the right place to live is a process. It's important you feel comfortable and safe when renting, in a location that fits your budget and lifestyle. We've compiled [a list of steps to help you find and secure your next home](#), and the rental scams you need to avoid.



Explore the big 'what ifs' at Raising the Bar Sydney

From pets on public transport to fiction shaping the future, let inspiration satiate your curious mind at [Raising the Bar Sydney](#). Choose from 20 free talks across 10 bars, breweries and live music venues in inner Sydney from 6 pm on Tuesday 9 April.

Need to know

- The Good Friday public holiday is on 29 March and the Easter Monday public holiday is on 1 April. No classes will be held on public holidays.
 - Mid-semester break in Semester 1 is from Monday 1 to Friday 5 April. If you plan on using this time to catch up on study and draft assignments, don't forget you can access [Studiosity](#) through the [Learning Hub Canvas site](#). Studiosity is an online service that provides feedback and guidance on students' work, 24/7.
 - The [census date](#) for Semester 1 is Tuesday 2 April. Double check your units of study, and make sure you've submitted any HELP assistance forms and paid your fees. If you'd like to [withdraw from any units of study](#), [suspend your studies](#) or [discontinue your course](#), you'll also need to do this by census. There are a range of [academic and wellbeing support services](#) available to you if you need help with your studies.
 - While studying with us, it's important we have the correct contact information for you, especially in the case of an emergency. [Update your personal details](#), including your phone number, emergency contact details, addresses and personal email, in Sydney Student.
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Four ways you can commit to a net zero future this Earth Hour



Earth Hour is this Saturday 23 March, where millions of people around the world switch off their lights to raise awareness for biodiversity protection amid our changing climate. Find out [how we're reducing energy emissions every day to reach our sustainability targets](#), and [how you can get involved](#).

University news



Call to establish world-first institute for ethics

We've partnered with The Ethics Centre and UNSW to propose the Australian Institute of Applied Ethics, a world-first national institute to advise on the profound ethical questions that face Australia. Head to our website to [find out more and pledge your support for the institute for ethics](#).



Bagpipes in space: the dramatic sound world of Dune Part 2

Industrial. Mechanical. Brutal. Discover [why Hans Zimmer's Dune: Part 2 film soundtrack is so spectacular](#) with Alison Cole, composer and lecturer in screen composition at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music.



Refugee awarded UN Women Australia MBA scholarship

From Paris to Damascus, Erbil and now Sydney, Chantal Mousad aims to blaze a trail for women in leadership everywhere she goes as the [latest recipient of the UN Women Australia MBA Scholarship](#) at the University of Sydney Business School.

Govern the largest student-led organisation in Australia

The University of Sydney Union (USU) is Australia's largest student-led organisation, advocating for a positive student experience through a range of services, events, programs, facilities, and opportunities. The Student Board governs the operational and strategic business of the USU. [Candidate nominations for the 2024 Student Board elections](#) are open until 8 April.

Global experiences



Are you ready to take your studies abroad?

The University has over 400 exchange programs in more than 40 countries. Don't miss your chance to meet representatives from partner universities and chat to students who have studied abroad at

the [Sydney Abroad Fair](#) this Tuesday 19 March, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm on Eastern Avenue.

Unlock your entrepreneurial spirit with INCiTE



24 March.

The [INCiTE Summer School](#) unites university students from around the world to solve global challenges by engaging in intercultural experience, design thinking, social innovation and entrepreneurship. This year the two-week program is being held in Da Nang, Vietnam from 11–27 July 2024. Applications close 11:59 pm on Sunday



Connect with employers at the Virtual Careers Fair

The [Virtual International Careers Fair](#) provides a fantastic opportunity for international students to connect with employers in Australia and abroad, and for domestic students to explore their options

for working overseas. Discuss paid internships, vacation work and graduate opportunities online this Wednesday 20 March from 5:30–7:30 pm.

What's happening at Sydney



Make a real difference to our planet, people and community

Come along to the [Green Impact launch](#) this Thursday 21 March from 12–1 pm to find out how you can lead initiatives that increase sustainability on campus and in our wider community.



Improving art accessibility in gallery and museum spaces

Hear from accessibility consultant Sarah Empey on 22 March from 1–2:30 pm about how she's [improving accessibility in gallery and museum spaces](#) through use of audio descriptions, QR codes with braille overlays, and tactile markings.



Rare Bites: Musical fragments on the margins

Unveiling the wonders of our Rare Books and Special Collections, join Kathleen Nelson and Nathan Cox from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music in Fisher Library on Wednesday 27 March from 1 pm for a [lunchtime talk on a large liturgical manuscript book](#), likely dating back to 16th century Spain.



Love rugby? Become a SUFC member for great benefits

[Sydney University Football Club \(SUFC\) student memberships](#) are now available! Receive \$280 value for just \$95, get access to all SUFC home games and more as you experience the culture of one of our leading sports and become part of the varsity army.

Career opportunities

Get social for sustainability and be a green content creator

[Spread the Green Vibes and Live Influential Lives!](#) is a social media content creation workshop series held during March, focusing on ethical food, climate change and slow fashion. Through practical education and training, the workshops empower you to use your voice on social media platforms to spread awareness on sustainability and inspire eco-conscious action.

Manage your research data and maximise your research impact

Research data that is managed optimally improves research efficiency, integrity and security, and supports compliance with legislative, policy, funding and publishing requirements. Join SUPRA at an [online information session on responsible data management](#) and the broad suite of resources available to assist research candidates on Tuesday March 19 from 2–3 pm.

Engage in healthy democratic discussion with the ABC

The Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) are looking for engaged and passionate students to join their live studio audience during Q+A – an interactive television discussion program focusing on all of the big issues that get Australians thinking, talking and debating. [Register your](#)

[interest to join the audience on the Q+A website](#), write 'USYD' in Q15 and tell the ABC about the topics that matter most to you.

Share your feedback

How did you find this week's edition of Student News?



Student resources

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

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