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Week 13, Semester 1

Welcome to Week 13, student. With STUVAC and exams around the corner, it's time to get exam ready. Find out how to prepare for in-person and online exams, and don't miss out on free food from the USU Food Truck at Fisher Library to help you recharge. We also share cultural events and activities you can get involved in during National Reconciliation Week.

Get ready for Semester 1 exams



How to prepare

Exams for Semester 1 start on Monday 3 June and will take place in their scheduled locations. Read our [in-person exam checklist](#) for study tips to help you prepare and to find out what you can and can't bring into the exam room.

If you're sitting an online exam, read through our [guide to online exams](#) well ahead of time so you can make sure you're set up for success. For everything else you need to know about exams, including how to access your exam timetable, check if you have an approved calculator and for more preparation tips, head to our [Exams webpage](#).



Academic and wellbeing support

Studying can be stressful, especially when exams and assessments are due. A range of [legitimate and free academic services](#) and resources are available to you to help you reach your potential, including the [Learning Hub](#) and [Studiosity](#).

There are also plenty of [free health and wellbeing services](#) you can access through the University, from 24/7 counselling to mindfulness exercises and general health tips. Have your studies been

impacted by exceptional circumstances? Find out how you can [apply for special consideration](#).



Exam ready events

Check out the [Library's Exam Ready program](#) for a range of activities and advice to help set you up for success, including [movie nights](#) to help you relax, workshops that [maximise productivity](#) and a relaxing [movement session](#) with Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness to refresh your body and mind.

USU Food Truck at Fisher Library

Fuel your study session with a free, delicious meal from the [USU Food Truck](#). The food truck will be running every Monday to Thursday from 27 May to 3 June, with breakfast, lunch, dinner and snack options available.

Active recall study session

Active recall is a game-changer for revision and exam success. Learn [the technique of active recall](#) with our Peer Learning Advisors on Wednesday 22 May from 1–2 pm in Fisher Library.

Beads and braids craft workshop

Are you feeling crafty? Take a break from studying and come chill with our Peer Support Advisors while making [beaded and braided bracelets](#) at the Welcome Hub from 2–4 pm on 23 and 30 May.

Need to know

- STUVAC is next week, from Monday 27 to Friday 31 May.
- Applications for Student Life Grants close this Thursday 23 May. Find out [how to craft a winning application](#) and secure up to \$3000 for your next project.
- Donating blood saves lives. The Red Cross Camperdown Mobile Donor Centre will be on Eastern Ave from Monday 3 to Friday 7 June. [Book your spot to donate](#) online.

University news



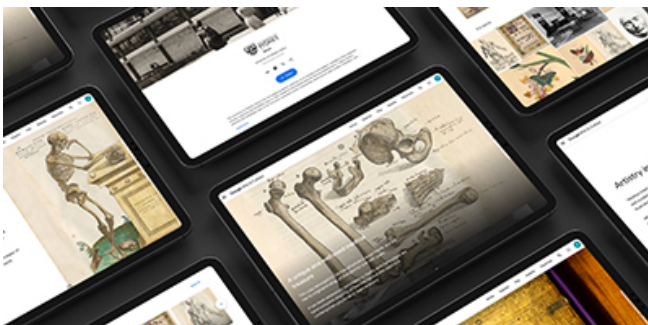
Meet the student composer behind a major Vivid Sydney light display

Sydney Conservatorium of Music student Bailey Pickles will soon have his music heard across one of the world's most iconic settings, Sydney Harbour. The emerging composer is the musical force behind [Our Connected City](#), a major light display, at this year's Vivid Sydney festival.



Employee to entrepreneur: the multifaceted career of Jonathan Pease

Co-owner of strategic advisory firm Delorean, as well as executive training coach, creator and author of *Winning The Room*, Sydney alumnus [Jonathan Pease's diverse career journey](#) is one that emphasises the importance of synergy among endeavours to amplify their impact.



University of Sydney Library now on Google Arts & Culture

The Library is pleased to announce our new [Google Arts & Culture profile](#), featuring over 100 of our collection highlights and our first online exhibit 'The Fabrica: An Illustrated Exploration of Human Anatomy'.

National Reconciliation Week – Now More Than Ever



Artwork by Luke Penrith.

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) this year will be observed from Monday 27 May to Monday 3 June, with the theme 'Now More Than Ever'. Celebrate the voices and influence of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and reflect on the importance of continuously assessing our progress towards achieving reconciliation with NRW events on campus.

Film screenings

Join us at Fisher Library on Monday 27, Wednesday 29 and Friday 31 May for a thought-provoking series of films that highlight [diverse perspectives on Indigenous experiences](#).

Academic showcase

Celebrate the [achievements and research of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander academics](#) at the University of Sydney on Friday 31 May from 10 am–2 pm in the Law Foyer.

Do you want to progress sustainability on campus?

Use your student voice and [apply to be a student representative on our Sustainability Work Groups](#) by Thursday 30 May. Provide your valuable feedback, suggestions and endorsement on a range of sustainability issues relevant to the University. Two volunteer positions are available for Semester 2, 2024.

What's happening at Sydney



Exclusive film screening for domestic violence awareness

As part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, join us on campus for a free community screening of [Blaze](#) on Friday 24 May from 5:15 pm. Directed by Archibald Prize winner Del Kathryn Barton, *Blaze* explores how creativity can be a source of healing for children victim-survivors exposed to violence.



How to overcome barriers for women in fieldwork

At the [Women in Coastal Fieldwork panel](#) on Wednesday 29 May from 12 pm, researchers from three Australian universities will discuss their lived experience of gender inequality while undertaking coastal fieldwork, as well as their research on the barriers to fieldwork for women and ways we can foster inclusion.



Sydney Ideas: Music on your mind

Can music participation, such as playing an instrument or singing in a choir, help to [slow down the rate of cognitive decline](#)? Find out from clinical neuropsychologist Sharon Naismith and music scholar Neal Peres Da Costa at the Con on Thursday 20 June from 6:30 pm.

What are you planning to do during STUVAC next week?

Catch up on study ahead of exams

Relax with family and friends

Submit assignments

Sleep!

Social shoutout

Graduations on campus are in full swing. Congratulations to all our recent graduates – we hope you enjoy celebrating with your family, friends, and pooches!

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Don't forget to join us on [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#) and [WeChat](#).

Student resources

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