

**3 June 2024**

Exams, Semester 1

Welcome to the first week of exams, Chloe! For those sitting an exam this week, we wish you the very best of luck. Don't forget that free food is available to USU members Monday to Thursday during exams with the USU Food Truck outside Fisher Library. This week, we share important information about applying for special consideration. Plus, find out how you can plan a successful application to study abroad in 2025.

Top stories



Join the Noodles Club at SciTech Library

Come along to a [noodle feast in the brand-new SciTech kitchen](#) on Tuesday 4 June from 3–4 pm. Dive into discussions on the latest breakthroughs, swap study hacks, or simply unwind over a free bowl of noodles.



Students on exchange in La Rochelle, France. Photo: Patrick Sabine.

Thinking of studying overseas in 2025?

Applications for the Sydney Abroad Semester 1, 2025 Exchange Program close at 5 pm on Sunday 30 June. [View upcoming application advice sessions](#) and events along with essential pre-recorded material to help you plan your study abroad application.



Last chance to visit the 24th Biennale of Sydney

The [Biennale of Sydney](#) closes next Monday 10 June, so it's your last chance to visit the exhibition at the Chau Chak Wing Museum to see exceptional works from 20 local and international artists. The Museum will be open on the King's Birthday public holiday, and entry is free.

Applying for special consideration

If current events are impacting your ability to study and meet deadlines, you may consider applying for special consideration. Information on [how to apply for special consideration](#), required documents and deadlines for applications can be found on the current student website. [Click here to view a summary of the information on the special consideration and arrangements.](#)

Need to know

- The safety and wellbeing of our University community is our utmost priority, so it's important you do not share your student ID card with others, this includes both other students and non-students. Students who have been found to have shared their ID cards with others will be subject to misconduct proceedings.
- There are no exams on the King's Birthday public holiday, Monday 10 June.
- The exam period for Semester 1 runs from today, Monday 3 June to Saturday 15 June. [Academic support](#) is available to you if you need it.
- If you're sitting an in-person exam in the next two weeks, ensure you get to campus early on exam day, know where your exam room is and bring valid photo identification.
- From free breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks to discounted coffee and red bull to power your final study sessions of the semester, the [USU Food Truck](#) will be outside Fisher Library from Monday to Thursday, 27 May to 13 June.
- The University's current engagement with Innowell will cease on 30 June. As a result, students and staff will no longer have access to this platform. You continue to have access to a range of [wellbeing and support services](#).

Nominate yourself for the Study NSW International Student of the Year Awards

Are you an international student who has made an outstanding contribution to your community? Nominate yourself for the [Study NSW International Student of the Year Awards](#). All nominations require an accompanying supporting letter from the University. To request this letter, please submit the [supporting letter form](#). You may also want to consult a staff member as they can put forward a nomination to Study NSW.

Nominations for the awards close on Tuesday 6 August. If you have any questions about the awards or self-nomination process, contact the Office of Student Life via email at studentlife.office@sydney.edu.au.

Vivid Sydney: What's on



Shake, rattle and roll – Sydney trains go Tekno

Composer-producer Paul Mac from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music is paying tribute to Sydney's suburban railway system in a project that sees two Sydney train routes turned into a mobile electronic music and light experience: [Tekno Train](#).



Vivid Sydney's future seems bright, but challenges abound

Vivid Sydney's annual program continues to delight audiences. Yet the [success of such a massive festival comes with challenges](#), writes Associate Professor Emrah Baki Ulas from the Sydney School of Architecture, Design and Planning.

University news



Now More Than Ever – the fight for justice must continue

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services) Professor Lisa Jackson Pulver and Contemporary Music student Cianna Walker [reflect on this year's National Reconciliation Week theme](#).



Furiosa's silence speaks volumes about women's agency

Furiosa deploys strategic silence to cement her status as prize warrior rather than prize breeder in the latest Mad Max saga, a shift that progresses the film's [portrayal of women's stories](#), says Associate Professor in English Rebecca Johninke.

What's happening at Sydney



Rediscover our beautiful Camperdown Campus

Breathe in the fresh air on our Camperdown Campus after or before your exams and come celebrate World Environment Day by embarking on a [Sustainability Trail Tour](#) this Tuesday 4 June from 12–1 pm.



Apply for the Student Innovation Awards

Accelerate your idea, career or research and win up to \$5000 in the [Student Innovation Showcase and Awards 2024](#). Categories of awards include best student start-up, positive social impact, commercialisation and more. Applications close 7 July.



Ponder the meaning of gardens and time

What radical ideas stir and grow in contemporary gardens? Find out from anthropologist Natasha Myers at the opening of the Tin Sheds Gallery's exhibition '[Garden at the End of Time](#)' on Thursday 6 June from 6–8 pm.



Eating disorders are increasing – what you should know

More than one million Australians live with an eating disorder. In the latest episode of [The Solutionists](#) with Vice-Chancellor Mark Scott, Dr Sarah Maguire talks about the signs to look out for, the risks around social media, and how to help someone recover from a “completely curable” illness.

Celebrate 50 years of Sydney research at One Tree Island



One Tree Island is a remote research facility located within the World Heritage-listed Great Barrier Reef. This year marks 50 years of the University managing research on the island, focusing on climate change and bleaching, sedimentation, bird ecology, the ecology of reef organisms and more. [Follow One Tree Island on Instagram](#) to stay up to date with their research.

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