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Welcome to Week 3, Mack!

We're right into the swing of things as campus life, studies, and the weather all start to heat up.

This week, we catch up with Jason Zhu He ahead of his talk at TEDxSydney Youth, share how you can get involved in voting for the Student Innovation Showcase, and celebrate our feline friends and student Olympic medalists.

It's also National Science Week, and we have the perfect video to celebrate the occasion.

Top stories



Jason Zhu He

Finding your purpose with Jason Zhu He, student and co-founder

We [chat to Jason Zhu He](#), a Bachelor of Law and Bachelor of Science student and co-founder of the Ikigai Network, an online resource helping students find their purpose ahead of his talk at TEDxSydney Youth.

As presenting partner for TEDxSydney Youth 2024, we're excited to give away a double pass ticket to one winner for the event on August 29. Enter the [TEDxSydney Youth 2024 giveaway](#) for your chance to attend the event and hear how the next generation are redefining the future.



Apply for the Westpac Future Leaders Scholarship

With the [2025 Westpac Future Leaders Scholarship](#), you have the opportunity to receive up to \$120,000 in funding to support your studies, as well as access to bespoke leadership training. Applications close 5 pm, Thursday 29 August 2024.



Meet the next generation of pioneers at the Student Innovation Showcase

Join us on Wednesday 21 August in the Michael Spence Building (F23) from 5 pm for the [Student Innovation Showcase](#), where you'll hear from students about how they're pushing the boundaries of technology and creativity.

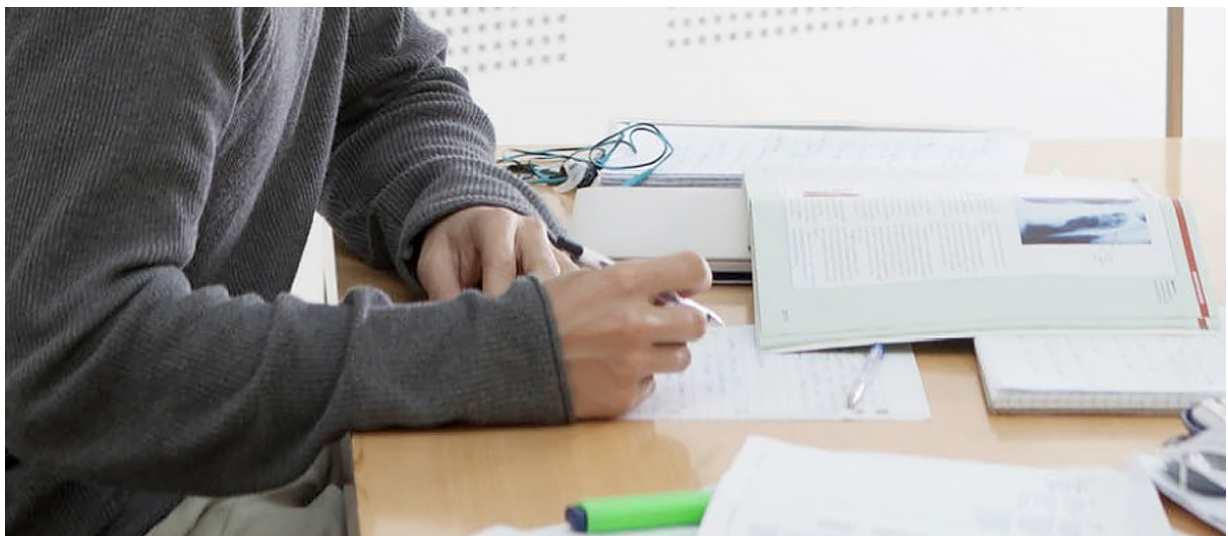
You also have the chance to vote for your favourite Student Innovation project in the [People's Choice Awards](#). Voting is open until Wednesday 21 August, 5:30 pm, so don't miss out!

Need to know

- We recently released our [2023 Annual Report on Sexual Misconduct](#), as part of our ongoing commitment to improving transparency for victim-survivors. Please note that this report contains information about sexual assault and sexual harassment which you may find distressing.
- Your safety is our top priority, so it's important you practice pedestrian safety on and around our campuses. Remember to only cross the road at designated pedestrian crossings, avoid looking at your phone when crossing and ensure all vehicles have come to a complete stop before stepping off the curb. If you're new to Australia, remember cars will usually be coming from your right, so look right first!

Wishing our international student community a great semester ahead

Professor Mark Scott, Vice-Chancellor and President, welcomes all new and returning students to our vibrant international community. From joining a [USU club](#) to exploring [Chau Chak Wing Museum](#) and the recently re-opened [Fisher Library roof terrace](#), there's plenty of opportunities to immerse yourself in university life this semester.



Register with Inclusion and Disability Services for support in formal exams

If you have a disability, medical condition, or carer responsibilities (temporary or ongoing) which may disadvantage you in your formal examinations, you may be eligible for reasonable adjustments through Inclusion and Disability Services. To be approved for adjustments in your Semester 2 formal exams, you will need to apply to register, book a consultation appointment, and

be registered with Inclusion and Disability Services by Wednesday 25 September.

Please note: If you are enrolled in an intensive unit which has a final exam, please ensure you are registered with IDS three weeks prior to the commencement of the relevant exam week for that unit.

Please see the [Inclusion and Disability Services webpage](#) for further information about the registration process.

University news



How old is too old to be a doctor?

Should GPs and surgeons over 70 need a health check to practise? Regulations for doctors aged 70+ are currently under review following rising complaints. [Dr Christopher Rudge from the Sydney Law School examines the issue.](#)



Celebrating International Cat Day with wellbeing breakthroughs

International Cat Day was on 8 August, and what better way to celebrate than by recognising the incredible [advancements our researchers, academics, and clinicians have made to improve feline health and welfare.](#)

We're on Little Red Book!

We're live on Little Red Book and excited to connect with our USYD China community around the world! [Follow our official Little Red Book account](#) for exciting campus events, student stories, University news, academic achievements, and much more.

National Science Week



Did monotremes only develop in Australia?

Find out the answer via this [Instagram reel](#), and stay tuned across our socials for more science content!

To keep track of all the events across the week, visit the [National Science Week event page](#) from the Faculty of Science.

Life and career



Learn a new language overseas

Gain 6 credit points as you delve into a new culture and language with our overseas partners in China, Germany, Korea, France, Japan or Jordan through the [Open Learning Environment \(OLE\) In-Country Experience intensive units](#). Designed for undergraduate students with little to no prior knowledge of the language.

Searching for a career in sustainability?

From fighting climate change and fast fashion to making our transportation and infrastructure more environmentally-friendly, there's a host of career opportunities in sustainability for you to explore at Sydney. Watch our [Career in Sustainability webinar](#) to find out how you can advance your career

goals while still studying.

Events



Sydney Ideas: Medical Moonshots

Can we fast-track cures for diseases? Attend [Medical moonshots, a Sydney Ideas event](#) where you'll learn about exciting discoveries in novel therapeutics, nanomedicines, artificial intelligence and more with leading researchers and host Tegan Taylor, ABC health and science journalist on Thursday 22 August from 6 pm.



Gilgamesh: Man and Music

If you're a regular gym-goer, you might have come across the statue of Gilgamesh on your way to a workout. [Delve deeper into the legendary tale of Gilgamesh at the Chau Chak Wing Museum](#) on 17 August at 6 pm, where you'll explore the mythology of this Assyrian king through expert talks and live performances of music from the upcoming opera composed by Jack Symonds.



NAIDOC Week film screening and student concert at the Holme Building

To recognise NAIDOC Week that took place last month, experience the rich culture and history of Indigenous Australia with a special event on campus featuring our [NAIDOC film 'Fireside Yarn'](#), produced by the ISS Media Production Team followed by a student concert on 12 August at 5 pm.

What's happening at Sydney



Reputation Era (USYD's Version)

Dive into the intrigue of Taylor Swift's Reputation era as you team up to solve the dazzling mystery of the Serpent Garden. Solve puzzles and navigate a maze to find the keys to Taylor's getaway car at this [Serpent Garden Mystery Night](#) on Monday 19 August from 4 pm.



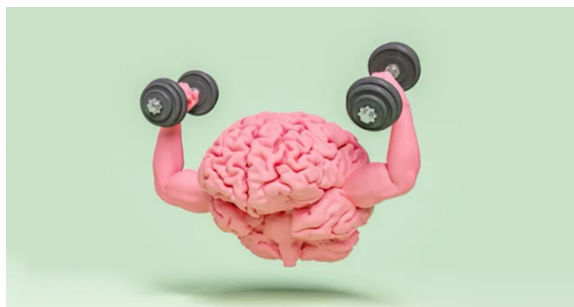
Social Sciences Week 2024

Social sciences are key to understanding the world which is why we're a proud Silver Sponsor of [Social Sciences Week](#). Join us to explore diverse social science topics, groundbreaking research and unique opportunities to engage with leading experts through events across the week starting 9 September.



Modern Slavery Pop-Up Hub

Delve into the pressing issue of modern slavery at our first-ever [Modern Slavery Pop-Up Hub](#) on 21 August from 1 pm at the Welcome Hub. Whether you're familiar with modern slavery or want to learn more, join us for insightful discussions and networking with human rights advocates. Snacks provided!



Keep mentally fit with our men's program

Mental fitness is just as important to maintain as physical fitness and health. [Register your interest for our Mental Fitness for Men program](#), designed to help male-identifying students embrace challenges, identify their values and build resilience. There are six sessions in the program, starting Wednesday 21 August.

Student spotlight



Congratulations to our student medalists

Our students have taken balancing personal and University life to the next level! Congratulations to the following students who have received Silver at the Paris Olympics:

- Sienna Hearn: studying Education, silver medalist in Women's Water Polo
- Sienna Green: studying Bachelor of Arts, silver medalist in Women's Water Polo
- William Yang: studying Bachelor of Design in Architecture, silver medalist in Men's 4x100m Freestyle.

For a full run-down of results across the Sydney community, visit [Sydney Uni Sport's Paris Athlete Tracker](#).

Student resources

Student website | Canvas | Student Portal | Sydney Student | Key dates | Student life, wellbeing and support | Scams support

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