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MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Western Sydney University is a world-class university with international reach and a reputation for academic excellence and impact-driven research. Emboldened by a belief in being agile to best serve our community, the University's location in the heart of Western Sydney – the fastest growing and most dynamic area in the country – is ideal to give students a global perspective and opportunity.

In 2019, Western Sydney University was ranked in the top two per cent of universities worldwide by the prestigious Times Higher Education World University Rankings. The University continues to strengthen its international profile and research standing, and to build on the innovative work it has already undertaken in technology-enhanced learning and teaching. To ensure our students have access to a broad range of high-quality undergraduate and postgraduate opportunities, we provide new study options, pathway programs and support services. Working closely with our community, the University remains committed to unlocking the potential of our students.

Your choice of university is an important decision. We believe that success is fuelled by desire and ambition. If you have the drive and determination to succeed, then Western Sydney University offers you a myriad of opportunities to help you realise your ambitions. We believe your potential is unlimited.

I look forward to celebrating your future success as a graduate of Western Sydney University.



Professor Barney Glover AO
Vice-Chancellor and President





TOP 2%
OF UNIVERSITIES WORLDWIDE*



EMPLOYERS RATE OUR GRADUATES**

#1 IN NSW



**A PERFECT
SCORE**

FOR TEACHING, EMPLOYABILITY,
INTERNATIONALISATION, FACILITIES,
INNOVATION AND INCLUSIVENESS^



YOUNG UNIVERSITIES
IN THE WORLD*



**WORLD
CLASS**

RESEARCH#



270+

CLUBS & SOCIETIES



11 14

CAMPUSES SCHOOLS



48,500

STUDENTS

6,700

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



400+

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE
DESTINATIONS



* Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2020

** QILT Employer Satisfaction Survey 2016 to 2018

^ QS Top Universities: QS Stars Ratings 2019

Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) 2018



WHY STUDY AT WESTERN SYDNEY?

→ LEADERSHIP IN ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S FASTEST GROWING REGIONS

Western Sydney is Australia's third largest economy, one of the fastest growing population and employment centres. It is an increasingly important, dynamic and culturally diverse hub of business, industry and innovation. With a large multicultural population of more than two million people from 170 nations, Western Sydney's global links are creating unlimited opportunities for international business, investment, education and cultural exchange.

→ REPUTATION FOR EXCELLENCE

We're ranked among the top two per cent of universities in the world, with a growing international reputation for research-led, student-centred learning.

→ OUR STUDENTS SIT AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING WE DO

Our student-centred approach offers you the choice of on-campus and flexible study options combined with work-integrated learning. Through work experience placements, internships and volunteering opportunities, you'll get the real-life experience, practical skills and knowledge that you need for your future career.

→ OUR STUDENTS ARE PARTNERS IN LEARNING

Unlike the traditional lecturer-down approach, our innovative model of co-created learning treats our students as partners in their education. We empower students to share ideas and develop their creativity through a range of degrees.

→ OUR CURRICULUM PREPARES YOU FOR TODAY'S WORLD

We work with our community, business partners and industry leaders to develop course content that meets the needs of employers and the jobs of the future, and which responds to the challenges of a global workplace.

→ WE EMBRACE TECHNOLOGY-ENRICHED LEARNING

From our innovative social learning spaces, online learning environments and use of digital technologies which enhance the study experience, to our on-campus computer laboratories and state-of-the-art library, research and clinical facilities, we adopt new and emerging technologies to provide a richer educational experience.

→ OUR RESEARCH HAS GLOBAL IMPACT

We see learning and research as connected aspects of the student experience, putting you close to world-leading research that is changing lives in the communities we serve.

→ WE ARE GLOBALLY FOCUSED AND CONNECTED

With our growing international reach and reputation, we offer the opportunity to travel, learn and work in more than 400 destinations around the world through our overseas study, internship and work placement programs.

→ ADVANCED OPPORTUNITY. UNLIMITED SUCCESS

From advanced degrees and The Academy to pathway programs, scholarships, internships and student exchange opportunities, we provide multiple pathways for entry and academic success.

CAREERS AND INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

If you need help at any stage of your career, whether it is to find a part-time job or help plan what you want to do after university, the Careers Service at Western Sydney University can provide you with a range of useful resources.

westernsydney.edu.au/careers

CAREERS SERVICES

Careers Services can help you plan your career, provide feedback on your resume, help with your job hunt and prepare for interviews. We offer:

- career and resume advice – face-to-face, over the phone and online consultations
- resources – self-paced, self-help material
- jobs – on and off-campus jobs and volunteer opportunities
- workshops – build your practical job-seeking skills
- career expos and events – meet your future employers and industry peers
- tailored information for our international students.

Visit westernsydney.edu.au/careers

JOBS ON CAMPUS

Over two-thirds of Western Sydney University students combine study with work. The Western Sydney Careers team coordinates and expands on-campus employment opportunities and assists students to apply for paid professional experience on campus which may help improve your employability skills.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Industry experience is a great way to gain practical knowledge and improve employability skills. The Careers team actively seeks relationships with local employers specifically designed to link students with degree-relevant opportunities outside of the University. Students can access paid roles in various areas such as website design, marketing, chemical testing, stormwater management, database development and social research as well as assist students to find unpaid work experience relevant to their discipline.

TARGETED PROGRAMS

Our Career Mentoring and Women in Science and Engineering (WiSE) programs offer online exercises, workshops, visits to employers and mentoring to help students prepare for employment. WiSE is specifically targeted at women studying science, technology, engineering or mathematics, whereas Career Mentoring is available to all students across a range of disciplines.

CAREER LAUNCH

Our new Career-Launch program combines a range of guidance and information available online with tailored activities to step students through their career-planning requirements. Students can learn how to plan, seek and gain part-time or graduate employment. Resources include videos, practice tests, news and information to help students navigate the world of graduate careers and build the skills needed to get their dream job.

STUDENT SUPPORT

At Western Sydney University, we provide a wide range of services to help you achieve academic success. These include advice on careers, employment, learning skills, counselling, religious support and support for students with disabilities.

westernsydney.edu.au/services

AIRPORT PICK-UP

The complimentary airport pick-up service is available to all new international students commencing at the University in undergraduate, postgraduate or research programs. Students can arrange to be collected from Sydney airport on arrival and taken to their home campus. The College students studying a pathway program at Sydney Olympic Park campus (English program) are also eligible for a complimentary service. Students studying at International College at Parramatta City campus are able to access the service for a fee.

westernsydney.edu.au/airportpickup

INTERNATIONAL ORIENTATION

The International Orientation program is specifically designed for international students to help you prepare for your studies at Western Sydney University. It takes place up to 10 days before classes commence and all international students are required to attend (check your offer letter for dates). Please make sure you arrive in Australia at least one or two days before the commencement of the Orientation program.

westernsydney.edu.au/international/orientation

DISABILITY SERVICE

The Disability Service supports and assists future and current students with disabilities and chronic health conditions to participate fully in university life and reach their full academic potential. This particularly involves the development of Academic Integration Plans (AIP) which outline reasonable education adjustments.

westernsydney.edu.au/disability

STUDENT CENTRAL

Student Central is your first point of contact for information, advice, forms and referral to other services. The Student Central team can help you with your enquiries and they can put you in touch with the right services or area to resolve your issues. You can also access a dedicated Student Enquiry and Information Services International Liaison Officer to assist you with issues related to student visas, overseas student health cover, enrolment and admission issues.

westernsydney.edu.au/studentcentral

STUDENT WELFARE

The Student Welfare Service provides welfare support to all international students, including advice on financial assistance, accommodation, health-related issues and student advocacy needs. This service has professionally trained staff to help you work through unexpected problems and is available at all campuses.

Welfare officers can provide information and advice about your study options, such as reduced study load or leave of absence on compassionate grounds, and can help find the right services to talk to.

The Student Welfare Service also regularly organises information sessions and workshops for international students.

westernsydney.edu.au/internationalstudentsupport
westernsydney.edu.au/welfareservice

STUDY SUPPORT

The teaching styles you will encounter at Western Sydney University and the study skills required might be very different from what you have been used to in your home country. Western Sydney University offers a range of support programs including Academic Literacy Workshops and other services to help you succeed.

westernsydney.edu.au/internationalstudentsupport

ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUPS

Improve your English speaking skills and build your confidence by participating in English conversation groups. These groups are run by trained volunteers and will provide an opportunity for participants to practice and improve their spoken English in a friendly and social environment.

westernsydney.edu.au/englishconversation

PEER ASSISTED STUDY SESSIONS (PASS)

Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) is a free and voluntary student-centred learning program offered face to face and online. One-hour sessions run weekly throughout the teaching session. In PASS, you will meet and work collaboratively with other students from your unit to understand the unit content and develop study strategies to help improve your academic performance. Sessions are facilitated by senior students who have successfully completed the unit before. They guide students through the course material and facilitate students' learning through planned activities and discussion.

Through actively working together with other students, you will find that you are more engaged and will develop a deeper understanding of the unit content. PASS is an informal and welcoming environment to study, where you can gain a deeper understanding of unit content and meet other students from your course.

PASS sessions run for a large range of units and on multiple campuses.

westernsydney.edu.au/pass

MATES

MATES is a peer-mentoring program for students just starting their university study, or returning to study after some time. New students are matched with students in later years of study. This helps you make friends, network with other students and gain knowledge and skills to settle into life at university.

westernsydney.edu.au/mates
mates@westernsydney.edu.au



LIFE ON CAMPUS

One of the best things about life on campus is there's always something happening. From table tennis comps, outdoor chess, sports and Unigames, to one of many social events organised by the University or student clubs, you're bound to find something that's right for you.

All of our Campus Life Officers (CLOs) work tirelessly to ensure there's always something going on at your campus. The CLOs are behind most things that happen on campus including pop-ups, social events and free breakfasts.

UNIVERSITY SPORT

Western Sydney University is actively involved in providing opportunities for students in all forms of sport. From social lunchtime Quidditch or dodgeball, to supporting our elite athletes to succeed both on and off the field.

Western Sydney University is the best place to get involved in sport clubs, Elite Athlete programs, representative sport such as University Games, Inter-varsity tournaments and social sport.

LIBRARY

The Library is for you – on campus and on the go. We offer students access to six libraries across campuses which include 24-hour study hall access with quiet, silent and group study spaces, as well as bookable study rooms. You can also enjoy access to over seventy million digital resources anytime and anywhere with access to material for both study and recreation. We have close to a million items you can borrow and over 700,000 e-books to download instantly. Online and face-to-face study assistance is also available. From computers, free digital newspapers and magazines, printing services and device charging stations, to laptops for loan and sleep pods, you will find it all at the Library.

OUT & ABOUT

Western Sydney University has developed a program of activities and adventures open to all students. The Out & About trip list includes one bushwalk each month, overnight camps and regular adrenaline experiences.

Being run and coordinated wholly by Campus Life staff means that Out & About trips and adventures are catered directly to the needs and wants of our students. All trip leaders hold a current Senior First Aid certificate, work in pairs and follow strict safety guidelines and detailed risk assessments to make your experience memorable for the right reasons.

FOOD

Western Sydney University boasts a number of food outlets on each campus including Subway, Oliver Brown, Jamaica Blue and Piccolo Me. For a full list of food outlet trading hours and locations, visit westernsydney.edu.au/campuses



STUDENT REPRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION

Western Sydney University student representation aims to invigorate the student body at the University. Student representatives are from a diverse range of backgrounds, cultures and areas of study. Support offered includes strategic advice, financial oversight and facilitation of the student voice. From food prices and parking, to academic teaching quality and student services, to clubs, societies and campus life, the student reps on your campus will be able to listen and help you experience a better life at university. For more information, visit westernsydney.edu.au/students

GYMS AND FITNESS

Western Sydney University offers gyms and fitness facilities on most campuses. Facilities include large, bright and spacious air-conditioned premises. Approachable experienced staff deliver exceptional personal training programs, conduct health tests, offer nutritional guidance and provide appropriate support throughout your fitness and lifestyle journey. Visit gym.westernsydney.edu.au for more information.

TRAVEL OPTIONS

- Public transport – visit transportnsw.info for up-to-date travel information.
- Shuttle buses run regularly between train stations and campuses and the next arrival can be easily tracked on the Western Sydney App or the Shuttle Tracker web page.
- Bike – on-campus bike parking is available. Check the Cycling at Western Sydney University web page for locations. westernsydney.edu.au – search for bike parking.
- Drive or carpool – for parking permit fees, see westernsydney.edu.au/parking



ACCOMMODATION

Living on campus offers great opportunities to make new friends and experience all that university life has to offer.

ON-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

Western Sydney University offers high-quality, fully furnished accommodation options for international students on all campuses. Living on campus offers great opportunities to make friends and experience student life to the fullest.

Western Sydney University Village offers students excellent value for money. Staying on campus means you will save money on transport and have access to free shuttle bus services, or you can simply walk to your campus.

FACILITIES

Most Western Sydney Villages include:

- student lounge with communal kitchen
- TV lounge
- computer and study rooms
- BBQ area
- laundry
- free internet for university students
- access to exclusive ResLife program.

TYPES OF ROOMS

There are plenty of options to choose from. Looking to meet new people? Choose a shared townhouse or villa! Room types vary on each campus, but chances are we'll have something for you whether you're looking to live in style or work to a budget.

You can choose from a studio, apartment, villa or townhouse. Accommodation options vary between campuses. The cost of on-campus accommodation depends on the location and the type of room you choose.

Have questions? Give the Village a call on **+61 2 8760 0012** or visit **westernsydney.edu.au/village**

SECURITY AND SUPPORT

Western Sydney University Village provides 24-hour support for residents, with a dedicated team of Resident Assistants, an evening duty manager and nightly security patrols.

Rooms and common areas are only accessible by electronic swipe card and all individual bedrooms are lockable.

LIVING OFF CAMPUS

The Western Sydney region has a vast range of affordable apartments and share housing options. A homestay with an Australian family could also be a suitable option. You get to experience Australian culture and it can help you settle in quickly, providing the opportunity to participate in the daily routine of an Australian family and to practice your English language skills.

westernsydney.edu.au/accommodation

APPLICATION PROCESS



1. COURSE SELECTION

Check the entry requirements, campus, start dates, tuition fees and other costs.

westernsydney.edu.au/international/apply

westernsydney.edu.au/find_a_course

westernsydney.edu.au/fees



2. APPLY ONLINE

Upload all your supporting documents to the online International Application System. You will be given a unique student ID and login to check the progress of your application.

student-westernsydney.studylink.com

westernsydney.edu.au/applyonline (research applicants only)



3. APPLICATION ASSESSMENT

International Admissions Officers will assess your eligibility for admission to your preferred course and issue an offer online if you are eligible.



6. STUDENT VISA

The University will issue your electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCOE). Use your eCOE to apply for your student visa.

westernsydney.edu.au/studentvisa



5. ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

Sign the Acceptance Form and return it with your tuition fee payment to the University as instructed in your offer letter. Carefully read the refund terms.

westernsydney.edu.au/internationalaccept

westernsydney.edu.au/internationalrefund



4. OFFER OF ADMISSION

Login to read your offer, the conditions (if any that you must satisfy) and all the important information about studying at the University.

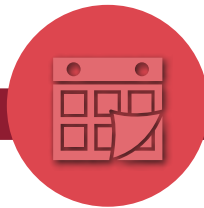
westernsydney.edu.au/internationaloffer



7. ACCOMMODATION AND AIRPORT PICK-UP

Arrange your accommodation and book your airport pick-up (if required)

westernsydney.edu.au/airportpickup



8. ACTIVATE YOUR ACCOUNT AND ENROLMENT

You can activate your student account (Western Account) and enrol in your course from your home country before you travel to Australia. Create your class timetable after you enrol.

westernsydney.edu.au/enrol

westernsydney.edu.au/tutorialregistration



9. ORIENTATION

You must attend Orientation to get important information and advice to support your successful transition to study at University.

westernsydney.edu.au/international/orientation

westernsydney.edu.au/starting

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

International students are required to have genuine access to sufficient funds while studying in Australia. Funds should be sufficient to contribute to the cost of travel, tuition, school costs for any dependants and living costs.

EXPENSE TYPE	PERSON	AMOUNT REQUIRED IN AUD\$
Travel	Applicant	Return airfare to Australia
Tuition	Applicant	Course fees – refer to westernsydney.edu.au/internationalfees

immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500#HowTo

GET CONNECTED

Future students

westernsydney.edu.au/future_students

Events

westernsydney.edu.au/international/events

Facebook

[westernsydneyuinternational](https://www.facebook.com/westernsydneyuinternational)

Twitter

twitter.com/westernsydneyu

Instagram

[#westernsydneyu](https://www.instagram.com/westernsydneyu)

Youtube

[youtube.com/westernsydneyu](https://www.youtube.com/westernsydneyu)

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