

UNSW Accommodation



UNSW
SYDNEY



Get the full experience

- Unbeatable lifestyle
- Buzzing campus community
- Find the home that gives you the freedom and space to be yourself

Living on campus is about fully immersing yourself in university life, creating unforgettable experiences and making lifelong friends.

The Kensington campus has sprung back to life and our student residences are hives of activity. Make meaningful connections in a fun and supportive student community with friends who become like family and help to shape one of the most transformative experiences of your life.



Incredible value

Every room includes utilities, fast Wi-Fi, secure facilities and staff on hand to support you and your needs at no extra cost. Many options include catered meals, an ensuite and room cleaning services.



Countless opportunities

Living on campus gives you access to a huge range of growth and leadership opportunities. Many of our residents become elected members of house committees, the UNSW Student Representative Council or lead and contribute to one of over 300 student clubs and societies.



Unbeatable lifestyle

Get to class in minutes. Walk to cafés, shops and parks or catch nearby public transport to beaches and Sydney's CBD. Pick and choose the social events and activities that appeal to you and take part in as much or as little as you like with everything at your doorstep.



A rich and proud history UNSW accommodation was

established 60 years ago and quickly became an important part of the life and soul of the university. Over the years traditions and cultures have been nurtured, passed on and adapted with each student cohort.



Academic focus

When you live on campus, you join a proud culture committed to excellence in a community centred around your education. Our residents receive academic mentorship, make more peer connections, and often study together.



A global student community

Every year our diverse and inclusive campus accommodation becomes home to students from all over Australia and the world. Our current residents represent 60 nationalities allowing students to share and experience new cultures and make friends from all over the world.



Privacy and independence

If you just want to chill out and have some 'me time', we accommodate that too. Your private room on campus is your own space to customise and make comfy. There are study areas for quiet study or to get that group project done. There are also many quiet nooks, green spaces, sunny corners and cafés in walking distance to sit with your laptop and study.



Insights from current residents



"I highly recommend living in a college early on in your degree. It's a great way to meet other students and participate in loads of fun events. College gives you the independence of living away from home without leaving you to fend entirely for yourself."

Angus Ritossa
Former House President, Fig Tree Hall



"There is always something happening, whether that be college sport, BBQs, community events or nights out. Whenever I feel like a break from study, there is something to do. I've met lots of people from all the colleges and get involved in what interests me."

Grace Ayton
Former Charities and Communities Director,
Phillip Baxter College

The Kensington Colleges

Living tradition of achievement and support

The Kensington colleges have a rich history valuing diversity, respect, student development and the pursuit of excellence.

Newly rebuilt in 2014, each college fosters a close-knit student community. Students are encouraged to participate in a range of social, cultural, charitable and sporting activities, and are supported by a strong network of live-in Deans, Deputy Deans and Resident Fellows.



Basser College

Basser College was established in 1959 becoming the first residential college on the UNSW campus.

Highlights of the Basser College year are broad and include sporting, social and cultural events. Key events include the annual fundraiser for Headspace, the Myall Classic Ultramarathon, Shave for a Cure, the annual College ball and play, inter-college band competitions, regular sporting competitions in almost every sport imaginable and of course, the annual parents weekend.



Goldstein College

Goldstein is the smallest of the 3 Kensington Colleges and as such, lends itself to creating a very close-knit community. There is a strong sense of belonging at Goldstein and this manifests in all sporting, social, cultural, leadership and charitable activities.

The College regularly involves itself in community based charitable programs and is very well represented on the sporting field having housed professional athletes and Olympians.



Philip Baxter College

The largest of The Kensington Colleges, Baxter was established in 1966 and is named after the first Vice-Chancellor of UNSW. Diversity is at the heart of the college and the layout promotes resident bonding. On the sporting field, Baxter has proven to be a formidable force!

Annual events include variety shows, plays, a Hunter Valley winery tour, a huge variety of non-competitive activities and the annual Baxter Ball... life is never dull!



Colleges

Memories to last a lifetime

University can be a daunting place, especially for first year students. By choosing to live on campus, you're getting access to a thriving community of peers and residents and you get to tap into a huge network of talented and supportive advisors who are there to help you when you need it.



Fig Tree Hall

Fig Tree Hall is a strong and unique family-like community, built on the foundations of respect and inclusivity amongst its hugely diverse student population. Fig Tree offers a balance of social and academic life in a safe, inclusive, multicultural environment.



Colombo House

Colombo House is a hybrid between a traditional college and apartment style of living. You'll have the independence and freedom to cook your own meals and clean your own room but still be part of a strong collegiate community with lots of events and activities throughout the year.



UNSW Hall

UNSW Hall forges its own traditions and culture and aims to be inclusive, positive and to assist students in the transition from high school to university to young leaders. UNSW Hall is an economical choice with catered meals, a great culture and a good balance of social activities.



International House

International house is a balance of postgraduate and senior undergraduate local, international, and exchange students. It's mission is to promote experiential learning, personal growth and inclusivity between students from all over the world.



Apartments

Independent living at its best

Located on or off-campus, UNSW apartments provide an independent, self-sufficient style of living for undergraduates and postgraduates, including couples and families.



Jacaranda Hall

The off-campus option

Just a 5 minute walk to the UNSW Kensington campus. Jacaranda Hall is designed to provide a secure and comfortable living environment. Under eighteen -year-olds are welcome to live at Jacaranda Hall.

University Terraces

Stylish option

The University Terraces are stylish, affordable, modern, and conveniently located on campus in the heart of UNSW. The Terraces are the perfect fit for students searching for a self-sufficient and independent style of living with almost everything you might need minutes away.

Barker Street Apartments

Flatmate option

Independent living in a community environment. Barker Street Apartments are located on campus overlooking the Village Green and while most apartments are five bedroom shared living, there are also options for couples and families.

High Street Apartments

Family option

High Street Apartments are conveniently located right across the road from UNSW, striking the perfect balance for students with commitments outside of study. High Street is the perfect fit for couples and families, saving you from long trips home after a busy day of lectures or study!

Preference at High Street is generally reserved for couples and families with children.



Find the home that is right for you. Take 360 virtual tours of rooms and compare prices at accommodation.unsw.edu.au



On campus locations



UNSW owned and operated



Award winning student experience*



A community built around student wellbeing and academic success.

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