

Agency number:	323
Agency title:	University Union
Start date:	1959
End date:	c. 2007
Creation:	Council meeting 9 March 1959 (resolution 59/57)
Abolition:	Council 6 November 2006 meeting (resolution CL06/87)
Administrative history note:	<p>The University Union was established by Council on 9 March 1959 (resolution 59/57). At the time it was outlined that "a Union be created of which all students shall be compulsory members, and for which a fee shall be collection and in which any member of the University's full-time staff may be a member, this Union to be governed by a Board, and that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to consult with the various sections fo the University who have interests in this matter and to submit in due course to the University Council, for its approval, a charter and constitution for such a Union".</p> <p>In July 1960 the first Warden of the Union, Mr Tay Cunningham was appointed, and on 11 July 1960 Council approved the formation of a Developmental Committee "to carry on the development of the union pending the setting up of a Board of Management of the Union not later than the end of the first term of the 1961 academic year". 19 meetings of the Union Developmental Committee were held with Professor E. B. Smyth as Chairman and at the final meeting on 23 June 1961, the names of members elected and appointed to the Board of Management were announced. (University Union Annual Report 1961).</p> <p>The first meeting of the Board of Management occurred on 5 July 1961 with Professor E. B. Smyth as Union President. Shortly afterwards, on 27 July 1961, the Union building (later known as the Roundhouse) was officially opened, although it had been used for official functions at least since 19 April 1961 (Origins Uniken Feature, 10 September 1982).</p> <p>From its 3 October 1990 meeting, the Board became known as the Board of Directors.</p> <p>At the 30 November 2005 meeting of the Board it was decided to use that the Union would use the trading name "Source" commencing from session 1, 2006. It was noted at this meeting, however, that the name of its legal identity was still the University of New South Wales Union.</p> <p>Following the introduction of Voluntary Student Unionism (VSU) by the Commonwealth Government from 1 July 2006, the University Union merged with the Student Guild and COFA Students' Association to form the Arc from the beginning of 2007, as approved by Council at its 6 November 2006 meeting (resolution CL06/87). 2006 was thus the final year of operations for the Union, but its final Annual General Meeting occurred on 30 May 2007 to pass the final set of financial accounts (news@unsw 17 May 2007).</p>

Unregistered preceding agencies:

Succeeding agencies:	Succession date
358 Arc	2007 - 2007

Unregistered succeeding agencies:

Unregistered superior agencies:**Subordinate agencies:****Period of relationship**

671	Contact	1992 - 2006
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Unregistered subordinate agencies:**Record series created by this agency (in chronological order by start date):****Date range of creation**

397	Activities / Creative Leisure Courses Programs of the University Union	-
830	Directions Newsletter for UNSW Staff of the University Union	-
451	Guide / Handbook A-Z	-
1257	International Cookbooks of the University Union / Arc	- 2006
1255	Orientation Week Guides of the University Union	-
1340	Posters of the University Union	-
396	Reports, Submissions by the University Union	-
1467	Photographs of the University Union	1959 - 2007
398	Annual Reports of the University Union	1961 - 2007
831	Booklet Leaflet Collection of the University Union	1961 - 2006
1459	Agendas, Minutes & Papers of the Board of Management / Directors of the University Union	1961 - 2006
1458	Signed Minutes of the Board of Management / Directors of the University Union	1961 - 2006
517	News Sheet (c.1970 - c. 1986) / This Week on Campus (c. 1986) / A Piece of Coloured Paper... (c. 1987 - 1988) / Blitz (1988 -) of the University Union / Arc	1970 - 2006
1469	Stuff Publication of the Students Union & University Union	1981 - 1981
926	UNSW Almanac / Diary for Students	1993 - 2006
1256	Unsweetened Literary Journal of the University Union / Arc	1998 - 2006