

SUBURBS

The following are brief descriptions of suburbs near the University of Sydney campuses:

[Camperdown/Darlington campus](#)

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Suburbs near Camperdown and Darlington campus

The University of Sydney's main campus is at Camperdown & Darlington. The suburbs listed below are in walking distance or 5-20 minutes by public transport:

ALEXANDRIA

This suburb was previously an industrial area. The development of many apartments in this suburb means it is undergoing a lot of change, as many of the previous industrial areas close to the city are experiencing development. Now a popular place for visiting factory outlets, there are also cafes arriving in the suburb for all the new residents. This area is handy for its proximity to the city and to the Eastern suburbs.

ANNANDALE

Annandale has a village atmosphere for an inner city suburb and is filled with Victorian style housing. Annandale has part of its shopping on Parramatta Road, where there are many furnishing stores. The Annandale Hotel on Parramatta Rd is famous for live music. Johnston Street is the main street running through Annandale and has village style shopping with some cafes. Annandale is well served by buses. Many old Victorian houses in Annandale have been restored and older industrial places have been converted into modern housing.

BROADWAY

Broadway is where the large main roads of City Road (heading south) and Parramatta Road (heading west) meet. Broadway has had a large modern shopping centre and cinema complex. This is the closest and largest shopping centre to campus. There is an active student life around this area because of the convenience to two universities. The University of Technology is not very far from here also so many UTS students also live around this area. Broadway has easy transport access to the city. The Accommodation around this area is either new lodges or apartments or in older style buildings.

CAMPERDOWN

Camperdown is the suburb where the University of Sydney and the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital is based. There has been a lot of recent housing development in this area so you will find a lot of modern apartments and studio type housing. Main roads running through Camperdown are Parramatta Road, Missenden Road and Salisbury Road.

CHIPPENDALE

This is an area that was typically an industrial area but is also undergoing change in recent

years. A number of old warehouses in this area have been turned into apartment blocks. Chippendale is very close to central station and the CBD. It is closer to the Darlington campus of the university but still handy to Camperdown. There are also many older style terrace houses in this suburb.

DARLINGTON

The University of Sydney is based also in this suburb. It is an inner city area with the typical terrace houses with many students living here to be close to campus. A lot of university facilities are in this area like the aquatic centre and conference facilities etc.

ERSKINEVILLE

This suburb is next to Newtown on the southern fringe of the city. Similar to Newtown it is also considered to be a popular place to live for students and those who love the vibrancy of the area. It is convenient to public transport with many buses and a train station.

FOREST LODGE

A neighbouring suburb to Glebe, which shares the same lifestyle. There are a few pubs and accommodation places in this suburb. There is a harness and a greyhound racing track at nearby Glebe.

GLEBE

Originally a working class area, Glebe has now become a very fashionable area to live with many interesting alternative therapy businesses, health food and general cafes and restaurants along the main road - Glebe Point Rd. The area houses a lot of university students, artists, backpackers, professionals and long time residents. There are a lot of older style terrace houses in this area which may/may not be renovated or restored with a lot of character. These houses make great share houses as they are so big or have been turned into hostels, guesthouses, boarding houses and studios etc. The area has a lot of leafy trees and has a famous market on Saturdays selling a crafts, bric a brac and the like. There is light rail in this suburb.

NEWTOWN

Newtown is a suburb neighbouring the university campus. Newtown is well known for its cafes, restaurants, pubs and live music. It is known to be eclectic, culturally diverse and alternative. It has a range of interesting shops selling alternative fashion, retro goods, antiques and furniture and so on. The accommodation in this area will vary – reflecting the diversity of Newtown. You will find terrace houses, converted warehouses as well as studios and apartments.

PYRMONT

Pyrmont was an industrial waterfront for Sydney but has gone through a lot of building development and many people working in the city have moved into the area to live. The Sydney Fish markets are located in this suburb, which is a very popular place to visit. The Star City Casino is here with the Lyric Theatre and with it many restaurants and pubs. There is a Good Living Growers' Market held in Pyrmont Bay Park the first Saturday of every month. In this area you will find apartments and units in modern complexes. There is light rail travelling through this area and it is a short walk to the CBD.

MACDONALDTOWN

This suburb is in between Redfern and Newtown so has the inner city vibe of narrow streets. There is a train station here and it is where many trains are kept with a big state rail complex and some parks. The housing in Macdonaldtown is older style with terrace houses and semis.

REDFERN

Redfern railway station is a major hub of railway lines for Sydney. Many university students walk from Redfern station to the university each day, as it is the closest train station to campus. Redfern has a very inner city feel about it, as it is culturally and demographically very diverse. Redfern will be undergoing major redevelopment over the coming years. Housing in this area consists of older style terraces and newer apartment buildings. Most of the restaurants and shops are along Cleveland Street. There is a big park along Cleveland Street called Prince Alfred Park. Redfern is a suburb where people will warn you to be cautious about safety and walking around on your own at night time, especially around the station. There is a security shuttle bus service available from the University of Sydney which drops people at Redfern station. For further inquiries call The University Security Office on 9351 3487.

ULTIMO

This suburb is within walking distance of Darling Harbour and Chinatown, which are popular entertainment areas in Sydney with shopping and dining. This suburb is another one that has undergone redevelopment. There are many apartments, terrace houses and units available in this area. This suburb is very close to central station, light rail and the University of Technology.

WATERLOO

Once industrial this area is changing with the development of new housing. There will be a mixture of the old and new. Along Danks Street there are new cafes opening up.

ZETLAND

Zetland is between Alexandria and Kensington making it convenient to the Eastern suburbs as well as the inner city. Zetland has major roads of Botany Road, Bourke Street and O'Riordan Street running through it giving easy access to the airport. Once industrial area it has been redeveloped into areas with Green Square and Victoria Park. There is a vision for a thriving shopping and entertainment area with some public plazas.

Suburbs near Cumberland Campus, Lidcombe

AUBURN

Located 23 kms west of the Sydney CBD. Auburn is a highly multicultural suburb. Auburn has a train station and is located very close to the M2, which leads further west or into the inner west areas. It is a 4-minute train trip from Auburn station to Lidcombe train station. Bus 918 runs from Auburn–Lidcombe (goes directly to Cumberland Campus) -Regents Park-Auburn. This bus stops at the Auburn Hospital along the way and goes directly to the Cumberland Campus.

BANKSTOWN

Bankstown is the large commercial centre for the area and has a large shopping centre called Bankstown Square. It is a 19-minute train trip from Bankstown station to Lidcombe train station. Buses 484 (every 20 minutes in peak and then every hour), 485 (every 30 to 60 minutes), 486 run from Bankstown-Greenacre-Strathfield. You would then need to catch a train from Strathfield to Lidcombe train station. Bus 921 goes from Bankstown -Birrong –Regents Park-Berala-Lidcombe station but it is an infrequent service.

BELMORE

This suburb has a train station and is on the Bankstown train line.

BIRRONG

Birrong is 20kms west of the Sydney CBD. It is a 13-minute train trip from Birrong station to Lidcombe train station. Bus 921 goes from Bankstown -Birrong –Regents Park-Berala-Lidcombe station but it is infrequent.

BURWOOD

Burwood is 11 kms from the city CBD. This is a popular suburb for students to live in. It has a very central location between Parramatta and Liverpool roads, which are main roads in Sydney going west and southwest. Like most Inner West locations, Burwood has undergone a lot of transformation in the last few years due to development. Burwood now has a major Westfield including a large cinema complex. There is a range of restaurants with Asian, Italian and Lebanese food. The area contains large federation houses as well as more recently built apartment complexes close to the station. It takes 9 minutes travel by train from Burwood to Lidcombe station. It is a 10 minutes express train trip from Burwood to the CBD so it is a good halfway point between the Lidcombe campus and the city.

CAMPSIE

The main street of Campsie is Beamish Street. Campsie has a train station located on the Bankstown train line. Bus 415 goes through Lakemba- Belfield- Campsie-Burwood- Strathfield station.

CHESTER HILL

Chester Hill has a train station on the Bankstown train line.

GRANVILLE

This is one of the oldest and most established suburbs of the Parramatta area. It is densely populated and also has a lot of industrial area. It has a train station on the Illawarra and Western train lines.

GREENACRE

Buses 484 (every 20 minutes in peak and then every hour), 485 (every 30 to 60 minutes) and 486 run from Bankstown-Greenacre-Strathfield.

HOME BUSH

15 kms west from the Sydney CBD. Homebush is a popular place for students to live. Homebush is now home to many major sports centres (thanks to the Olympics held here in 2000) and the Sydney showground. It used to be an industrial working class suburb. The area now has many established homes and is located close to more recent housing developments such as Liberty Grove and Newington. There is a train station at Homebush and another station at Olympic Park. There is a factory outlet shopping centre here called DFO, which is a popular place to visit in Sydney. Bus 401 and 404 go through Homebush and Newington to go to Lidcombe train station.

LAKEMBA

Lakemba has a train station on the Bankstown line. Bus 415 goes from Lakemba- Belfield-Campsie-Burwood-Strathfield. You can catch a train from Burwood or Strathfield stations.

LIDCOMBE

Lidcombe has a train station with bus service 915 running to campus every 7 minutes during peak periods and then every 15 minutes at other times. Bus 918 runs from Auburn–Lidcombe (goes directly to Cumberland Campus) -Regents Park-Auburn. This bus stops at the Auburn Hospital along the way and goes directly to the Cumberland Campus. There is an after hours shuttle bus going from the Cumberland Campus to Lidcombe station on weekdays during the teaching weeks from 6.30pm – 9.00pm.

PARRAMATTA

Located 24 kms west from the city, Parramatta is now considered to be the geographical centre of Sydney. It is the second largest CBD area in Sydney. Parramatta has a train station and is a 25-minute train trip to the city. There are numerous buses from and to the area and also access to the River cat that goes up the Parramatta River to the city in 65 minutes. It is close by to the Rosehill racecourse. A lot of the major roads and rail transport that lead to Sydney's west and western NSW go through Parramatta. There are some historical colonial style buildings around this area. There are older established homes and many apartment buildings.

REGENTS PARK

This suburb has a train station. It is a 7-minute train trip from Regents Park station to Lidcombe train station. Regents Park is close to Parramatta Road.

STRATHFIELD

Located 9km from Sydney CBD, Strathfield is known as a gentrified suburb of large homes and leafy streets. There are also newer apartment complexes that have been built located near the station. Strathfield has a major train station for Sydney with trains leading west and northwest. There is a shopping centre here called Strathfield Square and many cafes/ restaurants. Strathfield is a popular location for students to live. Parramatta Road runs through Strathfield and Liverpool Road runs through South Strathfield.

YAGOONA

This suburb neighbours Lidcombe. It has a train station on the Bankstown line. It is a 16-minute train trip from Yagoona station to Lidcombe train station. Yagoona has the major road of Liverpool Road running through it.

Suburbs near Sydney College of the Arts Campus

Balmain/ Birchgrove

Located 6kms west of the city. Balmain has a very village type atmosphere. This suburb is a very historical part of Sydney because of previous shipbuilding and maritime industries located there. It is now a gentrified area with some Colonial and Victorian style detached and semi-detached houses and cottages. There are also new apartment developments along the waterfront. Balmain is well known for its cafes, restaurants and pubs. Darling Street is the main road where you can dine as well as shop for books, clothes, antiques and see some art galleries. There is a popular Saturday market at St Andrew's church. Balmain has a ferry wharf for ferries going to Circular Quay and it is a 22-minute bus trip from Darling Street to Camperdown Campus. It is a 16-23 minute bus trip from Balmain (Eastern end) to the Rozelle Campus.

Drummoyne

Drummoyne is situated on a peninsula and there is a lot of parkland on the water around this suburb. Drummoyne is part of the City of Canada Bay Council area and has seen some redevelopment over recent years with new apartment complexes being built, particularly at Birkenhead Point and in East Drummoyne. There are also a lot of Federation or Victorian style freestanding houses in this suburb as well as units. There are a few well-known sporting clubs in the area such as Drummoyne Rowers, Drummoyne Sailing Club and Drummoyne Sports Club. There is a factory outlet centre at Birkenhead Point. There is a ferry service to Circular Quay and buses will get to Camperdown Campus in 31-33 minutes. It is a 12 minute bus ride from Victoria Rd in Drummoyne to the Rozelle Campus.

Lilyfield

This is a small suburb in the Leichhardt council area. It has a lot of parkland and is close to the water so it is a scenic and desirable place to live. Access to the city and the west is by the City-West link. There are mostly detached single storey dwellings in this suburb of Victorian, Federation and post war style houses. Buses to Camperdown Campus take 18-25 minutes. It would take approx 13-17 minutes to get a bus from Lilyfield to the Rozelle campus.

Rozelle

The Sydney College of the Arts (SCA) is located in this suburb, within the grounds of Callan Park on the beautiful Iron Cove Bay. Main roads are Victoria Rd and Darling Street which hosts two weekend market places. Housing around the area consists of Victorian and Federation styles and post war bungalows as well as some modern developments. Bus ride to the Camperdown Campus from Darling Street takes about 22-25 minutes.

Suburbs near the Conservatorium of Music, Law School and Dental Hospital

Darlinghurst

A lively part of Sydney where you can find a lot of nightlife. There are cafes, restaurants, bars and nightclubs along Oxford Street as well as many other places in this suburb. St Vincent's Hospital is based here. Oxford Street runs all the way to Bondi Junction in the East. Bus trips to Camperdown Campus take 29-32 minutes, as you need to go into the city and then change buses near central station to go to Camperdown.

Kings Cross

Has a very lively nightlife and is open all hours. Famous for the nightclubs, cabaret, restaurants, music and adult entertainment. It attracts a range of visitors and colourful local residents. It is a densely populated area with a range of temporary accommodation and features 1920s art deco architecture. It is on the Eastern suburbs train line and is in close proximity to the city. It takes 26-28 minutes to get to Camperdown Campus from catching a train to the CBD and a bus to campus from there.

Paddington

Victorian style terraces are a feature of this area. It has pretty leafy residential streets. It is close to the popular destinations of Fox Studios, Sydney Cricket Ground and Aussie Stadium. It is within easy proximity of the Eastern suburbs as Oxford Street runs through the heart of Paddington. There is a Saturday market. This suburb is a well known place for shopping, pubs, dining, cinema and art galleries. It takes 33-39 minutes to catch a bus from Oxford Street Paddington to go to the CBD and then change buses to get to university.

Surry Hills

This suburb used to be a slum area in Sydney and is now transformed. It has an inner city vibe with a lot of diversity. The area has a range of pubs and cafes as well as art galleries and antiques. Housing consists of terrace houses and modern apartments. Major streets in Surry Hills are Crown, Cleveland, Fitzroy, Bourke and Albion. There is a market held every month. It is convenient to the city as well as the Eastern suburbs. Depending on the part of Surry Hills you live in you may be able to walk to university otherwise you can catch a bus to central and then another bus to university all within 30 minutes.

Woolloomooloo

This suburb is located between the city and the Eastern suburbs. Previously a working class area, due to the docklands, it has now been redeveloped and has attracted more affluent residents. There is a range of housing from terrace houses to modern apartments. Finger Wharf is now a popular option for al fresco dining with water views. It is within walking distance to the City and is near Hyde Park, Botanical Gardens and the Art Gallery of NSW. It will take 30-35 minutes to get to university from here. You can walk to Kings Cross station and get a train to Redfern or take a bus to Central and then walk about 15-25 minutes to university.