The University of Sydney excels in the latest global rankings

We continue to rank in the top one percent of universities worldwide, ensuring that Australian innovation and research are prominent on the international stage.

The University has strengthened its position as a world leader in research and educational excellence in the latest global rankings and innovation measures.

In four separate, highly regarded international rankings, the University has again achieved distinguished results.

The QS World University Rankings are considered the most comprehensive comparison of universities. In the latest rankings (2016-17), we placed 46th in the world and third in Australia.

This outstanding result highlights our strengths across all faculties, many of which also scored highly in the QS rankings by subject, including veterinary science (9th in the world), law (11), nursing (13), education (16), architecture (17), medicine (17), accounting and finance (18), engineering – civil and structural (20), and English language and literature (20).

In the Times Higher Education 2016 World University rankings, we placed 60th, validating our achievements in health sciences, medicine, nursing, economics, education and social work, and agriculture and the environment.

The University was also recognised as the best in Australia in Thomson Reuters’ Top 75: Asia’s Most Innovative Universities, released in August. Our dominant fields for patent volume – pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, forestry, food, and agriculture – are reflected in recent projects to drive innovation, including the launch of our Nanoscience Hub and an $11 million investment from UK-based solar energy company Armstrong Energy to develop nanostructured gel-based batteries.

In the Academic Ranking of World Universities, released in August, we are ranked 82 globally (up from 114 last year) and number one in NSW. This is largely due to the increase in our score for ‘Highly cited researchers’ (from 9.6 to 25.1) – testament to the high-impact research our scholars are undertaking.

– sydney.edu.au/world-rankings
Info Day 2017
Thursday 5 January, 9am – 4pm

Choosing a university is a big decision. Info Day is the last chance for future students to get a taste of campus life before they finalise their preferences for the main round offers. Here they can talk with student ambassadors and staff, get expert course advice, explore our facilities, attend information sessions, and join a campus tour.
– sydney.edu.au/info-day

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Need more advice?

For any questions about course selection, we encourage students to call our trained course advisers: 1800 SYD UNI (1800 793 864)

Regular contact hours:
9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday

Contact hours during University shutdown:
Saturday 17 December: 10am to 3pm
Monday 19 to Friday 23 December: 9am to 5pm
Tuesday 27 to Friday 30 December: 9am to 5pm.

Save the date

Career Advisers and Teachers Conference
Friday 24 February 2017
Once again, we invite you to join us on campus for an exciting lineup of informative speakers, explaining what’s new at the University of Sydney.

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Record-breaking gift to health

It’s an exciting time for healthcare at the University of Sydney. An incredibly generous donation will enable us to take a radical and innovative approach to health challenges.

Earlier this year, we received the largest-ever gift in our 160-year history: a $35 million donation from Isaac and Susan Wakil. This gift is in addition to their unprecedented $10.8 million donation to Sydney Nursing School in 2015 to establish 12 annual nursing scholarships in perpetuity.

The Wakils’ 2016 donation will enable construction of the main building in our new Health Precinct at our Camperdown/Darlington campus.

For the first time, multiple health disciplines will come together in this purpose-built facility. The Susan Wakil Health Building will house the faculties of Nursing and Midwifery and Health Sciences, with components of Medicine, Pharmacy and Dentistry.

The precinct will feature teaching and learning spaces, state-of-the-art clinical simulation facilities, collaborative environments that enable multidisciplinary and translational research, an industry/innovation hub, a multi-service clinic and professional working environments.

Isaac and Susan Wakil

Teaching in the new Health Precinct is expected to commence in 2019.

Find out more about study opportunities in Nursing and the Health Sciences:
- sydney.edu.au/nursing
- sydney.edu.au/health_sciences
Student views

The things you learn here

University life is more than what happens in the classroom. Our students share what they learned about the uni experience – and about themselves – while studying here.

We recently quizzed a selection of our students on what they considered the most important things they'd learned at university. Their answers were often touching, sometimes funny and always insightful.

Engineering/Arts student Jordan Jolly explained how the University enabled him to pursue his main passion of engineering while exploring his other interests: arts, travel and music.

Originally from Manly Selective Campus, Jordan offers this advice to other students: “Connect your interests – all of them.”

Above: Jordan Jolly
Engineering/Arts student
Kevin Gatdula, who recently returned from an internship at UCLA in the United States, shares some advice about gaining independence.

The 20-year-old, from Normanhurst Boys High School, had to learn how to use a washing machine for the first time while overseas and has realised that the only way to truly grow is to “leave your comfort zone”.

Rebecca Lawson, who joined us from Barker College, offers this advice to potential students:

“Not everyone starts out with a plan – take every opportunity that comes to you because you can work out your plan as you progress through your degree. Take time to streamline your interests and head in a direction that excites you.”

Simone Armstrong, who is studying a Veterinary Biology and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine double degree, says “knowledge is best shared”.

Earlier this year, the St George Christian School graduate travelled to the Northern Territory to participate in an animal management program. She tells her extraordinary story here:

− sydney.edu.au/news/rural-remote-placement

Read more about what our students learned during their time at the University of Sydney.

− sydney.edu.au/thingsyoulearn
Overseas experience

Engineering the future at the United Nations

Last month, six engineering students, Brian, Colleen, Zac, Cassie, Britt, Samanvay and Jaime, together with their lecturer, Dr Ehssan Sakhaee, were selected to represent the University of Sydney, and travel to the Big Apple to the United Nations General Assembly.

Brian Callaghan (pictured above, third from right) explained that the theme of the assembly was ‘Turning vision into action’. “This is what we worked to do through a plethora of keynote presentations and breakout sessions,” he said.

Brian said that over the three-day program, a highlight was “attending the Youth Assembly at the United Nations, which I will never forget”.

The group met inspiring young people from every corner of the globe. They engaged in collaborative leadership conversations with the University’s colleagues at Pennsylvania State University and learnt from experts on how to create real positive action around the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals.

The goals of ‘No poverty’ and ‘Sustainable cities and communities’ particularly resonated with the group. “We were told time and time again that we are ‘the first generation that can end poverty and the last generation that can end climate change’ and I think by the end of the week we realised what a huge responsibility that really is,” said Brian.

Read more about this story online: sydney.edu.au/engineering/news/2016/un-youth-summit.shtml
Helena Wang
Bachelor of Commerce (Liberal Studies) – Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management, French Studies, Economics

During the second year of my Bachelor of Commerce degree, I completed an Industry Placement Program in Paris including an internship at French multinational insurance firm AXA’s head office. I spent six weeks in their Employer Branding and Recruitment team, as well as their Diversity and Inclusion team.

The University of Sydney Business School helped to organise this terrific opportunity and the program counted for two subjects towards my degree.

I spent my European summer placement gaining experience in human resource management during the day, taking night classes at Sciences Po, and exploring other countries on the weekends.

It was an incredible experience. I put my HR knowledge into practice, creating and presenting recommendations for AXA’s Global Graduate Program and also for their parental leave diversity and inclusion initiatives.

Picnicking on baguettes, Camembert cheese and cured meats on the lawns until the late summer sunsets was also a highlight. Other highlights included our visit to the Australian Ambassador’s residence in Paris, our study trip to Brussels and venturing to the Netherlands and the beautiful French seaside town, Étretat, on the weekends.

I came back having made a great group of new friends and broadened my international professional network.

As a result, I have been invited to return to AXA for another journey if I ever want to work in Paris or Hong Kong.

Find out more about the Business School’s placement program:
− sydney.edu.au/business/study/opportunities/industry-placement_program

Sciences Po
New architecture course

**Bachelor of Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture**
The University is excited to announce the launch of a new advanced course in architecture for high-achieving students.

The combined Bachelor of Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture is the first degree of its kind in NSW.

It will offer students a unique pathway into the architecture profession or academia, with the ability to complete an honours undergraduate degree in architecture and the qualifying Master of Architecture in five years.

If students are passionate about learning and aspire to be groundbreaking thinkers in the practice of architecture, this limited-intake, five-year combined degree is a fast track to achieving their goals.

We will distribute information to schools shortly that will explain how this course fits into our existing suite of degrees within the discipline of Architecture and the Built Environment.

The Bachelor of Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture will have its first intake in Semester 1, 2017.

For more details, visit:
- sydney.edu.au/architecture/study/doublearch
Events for high school students

On-campus events

**Spectacular Science**
23 and 24 November 2016
Designed for high school students from Years 7 to 11, Spectacular Science will engage students and spark interest in the huge diversity of science. Students will enjoy hands-on activities and hear from real scientists. Register online by 10 November 2016.

− sydney.edu.au/science/outreach/high-school/spectacular-science

**Sydney Science Experience**
11–13 January 2017
Designed for students about to start Year 10 or 11, the Sydney Science Experience is an opportunity for science enthusiasts to participate in a range of hands-on workshops and lectures uncovering the reality behind popular TV crime shows. Register online by 2 January 2017.

− sydney.edu.au/science/outreach/high-school/experience

**STEM Girls @ Sydney**
24 January 2017
On 24 January 2017, the University of Sydney, in conjunction with Power of Engineering, will host a hands-on workshop for girls who want to discover where STEM can take them. The event is open to female students who will be in Year 9 or 10 in 2017 who have a passion for STEM subjects and a desire to find out more about engineering related careers. Register online before 4 November 2016.

− sydney.edu.au/engineering/high-school

**Zero Robotics**
Designed by MIT and the University of Sydney’s former NASA astronaut, Professor Greg Chamitoff, Zero Robotics is a programming competition in which students compete to have their code tested live on board the International Space Station. Register your school’s interest online for 2017.

− sydney.edu.au/engineering/high-school

Bookings for 2017

We offer many ways for students, teachers and the community to engage with the University of Sydney, including visits to schools, specialist presentations, guided campus tours, hands-on activities hosted by our faculties or something tailored specifically for your needs.

Here are some tips for booking your event:

− Get in early. Book next year’s event this year. Terms 2 and 3 book out particularly early.

− Think about combining events with another school, or having multiple year levels attend.

− Term 4 is the perfect time to book our redesigned interactive campus tour for Year 10 and Year 11 students to get a taste of what the University of Sydney can offer.

For onshore international students, our student ambassadors can tailor a tour and/or presentation specifically for small groups, giving students an opportunity to ask all their questions about applications, accommodation and student life.

To make a booking online, or find out more about tours and upcoming events, please visit:

− sydney.edu.au/career-advisers
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