

International Student Support Unit News

Important Dates

Please take note of these dates, and if you have any questions please give us a call.

August 30th

Mid-Semester Break

September 6th

Semester 2 recommences

September 24th

Exam timetable released

October 15th

Semester 2 ends

October 18th – 22nd

Study period for exams

October 23rd

Exams Begin

November 9th

Exams End

November 26th

Semester 2 results released

Mid Semester Break ISSU opening hours

Please note, next Friday International Services will only be open as follows:

**Friday, September 2nd, 2010
9.00 am – 10.00 am**

Congratulations! Next week is mid semester break, which means you have made it half way through semester 2!

Come to dinner and be on television! The Malaysia 'Merdeka' Celebration

All UTAS students and staff are invited – spread the word!

Would you like to be filmed as part of a television show? This event will be filmed by 'Australia Network' and it will become a part of the television show 'My Australia'.

This dinner is to celebrate Malaysia's National Day - Malaysia will turn 53! Here are the event details:

Venue: Pepperz Café and Restaurant (next to John Fisher College)

Date: Tuesday, August 31st, 2010

Time: 6.30 pm – for a 7.00 pm start

Bring: A Malaysian dish, or \$7.00.

There will be performances, a quiz, a cultural fashion show, and the singing of the Malaysian National Anthem, and more!

Come dressed in red, blue, yellow or white – the colours of the Malaysian Flag, or in a tradition costume!

We need to plan for numbers, so please be sure to confirm your attendance by sending and RSVP email to jasonleecj@gmail.com.

Volunteers for Semester 1 Orientation, 2011

Would you like to volunteer to help in orientation at the beginning of next year? If you are interested, and you plan to be here from Monday, February 7th, 2011, then register your interest by email to ISA.Hobart@utas.edu.au. We will be in touch and ask you to come and have a chat with us.

As you already know, it is with the generous help of volunteers that we can welcome new International Students to UTAS each semester.

It is always a busy and exiting time, meeting and greeting the new students, introducing them to university life, and helping them enrol in their courses. In semester 1 next year, we will be introducing some new aspects to the orientation programme again, and be asking volunteers to be involved in some new and exciting ways. We are looking forward to hearing from you!

Migrant Resource Centre Events – All Welcome!

- TODAY, Friday, August 27th, 6:30-7:30pm: Free ZUMBA exercise class @UniGym (Sandy Bay)
- Thursday, September 9th, 4-7pm: Badminton (Free event) at The Southern Tasmania Badminton Association
101 Cascade Rd., South Hobart

Contact Rozeet at the MRC if interested: (03) 6221 0999 or
rhussain@mrchobart.org.au

Do you have an event for international students to advertise in the newsletter? Email ISA.Hobart@utas.edu.au with the event details.

Change your course

Changing your course is not something you can do so easily. However, it might be an option for you if you are not succeeding in your current course. If you are struggling in your course, and you think you might be better off studying something different, make an appointment to see a Student Adviser who can help you with your options. Email ISA.Hobart@utas.edu.au

Please update your details

It is very important that you log on to the e-student centre, and check that the following details are correct:

- Address (Tasmania)
- Address (home country)
- Mobile Phone Number
- Contact for Next of Kin

These details are required in an emergency, but they are also required to be up to date for purposes of your visa!

Important things to consider:

International students can go on exchange to our partner Universities! Contact Student.Mobility@utas.edu.au.

Please make sure you check your VISA expiry date regularly - it is your responsibility to make sure you have a current and valid visa at all times!

Student Legal Service

Drop in for FREE and CONFIDENTIAL legal direction, basic advice and referrals from the friendly volunteers. They can help and show you where to go and what to do next.

Every week during semester at the Law Faculty Office – room 1.12:

Tuesdays 12 pm – 2 pm
Wednesdays 2 pm – 4 pm
Thursdays 12 pm – 2 pm
Phone 6226 2847
E: sls@law.utas.edu.au

Much interest in student safety!

Do you feel safe in Hobart? You have the chance to tell researchers how you feel about this very important topic.

Alice Fitzpatrick is 4th year Social Work student who is researching the student experience of safety in Tasmania. If you would like to be part of her study which includes small focus groups, please email Alice for more information - akf@utas.edu.au.

Jeff Yeh is a Masters in Criminology student, and we have mentioned him in previous newsletter. His survey is nearly closing. Take this survey now by [clicking here](#).

We would like to encourage you to take part in this important research.

English Assist Workshops in Hobart

Free workshops to help your English held in Room 318-Medical Sciences Building every Tuesday, 4.30 pm–6.00 pm.

7th September
Writing Workshop 1

14th September
Writing Workshop 2

21st September
Exam Preparation 1

28th September
Writing Workshop 3

[Click here](#) for full schedule
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