

International Student Support News

Important UTAS Dates

August 10th
Sem 2 Census Date

August 29th
Sem 2 Mid-Semester Break
Commences

September 5th
Sem 2 Classes Resume

September 23rd
Sem 2 Exam Timetable
Released

October 14th
Second Semester Ends

October 17th – 21st
Study Period

Exchange opportunities for International Students!

Have you considered studying for 1 or 2 semesters overseas?

Did you know that International Students are eligible for exchange?

You can study in Mexico, USA, Canada, France, Italy and many more countries!!

You will still need to pay your fees to UTAS, and you will be still enrolled at UTAS, but you get the benefit of studying some of your units in another country! The only condition is that you cannot do an exchange to a university in your home country.

For any questions please email Student.Mobility@utas.edu.au

Do you need help filling out your **Census** forms?

Then come along to sessions where ABS staff will be available to help you!

Where: Room 201, Hytten Hall

When: Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th August : 1.30 – 3.30pm

Why: Because **ALL** international students must complete **Census**



Is Gambling Becoming a Problem for You??

Gamblers Help is the name of a support program that is provided by Anglicare Tasmania and Relationships Australia.

Research suggests that gambling is not uncommon among university students, with online gambling, electronic gaming machines and casino games all very popular. Mostly this is an enjoyable pastime, with no harm done.

However gambling may cause problems, and if any of the following apply to you, it may be time to talk to somebody about it:-

- if you are thinking a lot about gambling
- if you are spending more than you intended on gambling
- if you are being secretive about your gambling
- if you have lied to family or friends about your gambling
- if you say you won when you actually lost



Gamblers Help is committed to providing free confidential counselling and supportive interventions for anybody affected by problem gambling.

You can get help at any time by calling the free call number 1800 858 858, or logging onto www.gamblinghelponline.org.au

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

If you are an international student or from another electorate AND **reside** in the Hobart City Council area (as defined as Glebe, Hobart, Mt Stuart, Queens Domain, West Hobart, Battery Point, Cascades, South Hobart, Dynnrne, Lower Sandy Bay, Nutgrove, Sandy Bay, Mt Nelson, Cornelian Bay, Lenah Valley, New Town, Fern Tree or Ridgeway) you may be eligible to vote in the Hobart City Council Election see link:

<http://helenburnet.com.au/index.php/hobart-city-council/hobart-city-council-voting-info> or facebook search 'Madeleine Charles for Hobart City Council'.

Call for Participation

Have you travelled from Saudi Arabia, China or South Korea to study at UTAS and are you in your first year of study?

If you are we would like to invite you to participate in a focus group discussion about your experience of communicating with your friends, family and community back home while you have been living in Tasmania. We are also interested in learning about your experience of meeting local people in Tasmania.

These discussions will be held in September. A focus group discussion will take about 2 hours of your time, food and drink will be provided.

If you are interested in participating, you can register at:

<http://project.harryolf.com>

If you have any questions please contact harry.rolf@utas.edu.au

Types of ID

Many students carry their passport as identification on a daily basis however this means you are more likely to lose this important document!

Did you know Service Tasmania issue Personal Information Cards (PIC) which can be used for general identification purposes. This means your passport can stay locked away in a safe place.

<http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/pic>

Promote Your Event In the Next Newsletter

The International Student Support Unit News is sent at the beginning of each month to all international students.

If you have an event to promote or a topic you want included in the next issue, please send the details to

ISA.Hobart@utas.edu.au

Local Events

Lower House Comedy Lounge

11th August

Monthly stand-up comedy room held in Hobart on the second Thursday of every month.

Where:

The Lower House

<http://www.tadaa.com.au/bookings>

Ice Hockey League

16th August - Weekly

Come and see the Tasmanian Ice Hockey League games, every Tuesday!

Where:

Glenorchy Ice Rink

When:

6.30pm – 9pm

<http://www.icehockeytasmania.com>

Osmosis Art Exhibition

23rd August – 31st August

The Osmosis artists are engaging with many aspects of their encounters with Lake St Clare.

Where:

Long Gallery

Footloose Musical

25th August – 27th August

A non-stop dance extravaganza exploring identity, teenage passion, and of course, all things 80's.

Where:

Theatre Royal

<http://www.theatreroyal.com.au>



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