

# International Student Support Unit News

## Important Dates

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

**May 7<sup>th</sup>**

Exam timetable released

**May 31<sup>st</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup>**

Study Period

**June 5<sup>th</sup> – June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Semester 1 Exam Period

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Mid Semester Break

**July 7<sup>th</sup>**

Exam results released and Deferred and Supplementary exam timetable released

**July 12<sup>th</sup>**

Semester 2 Starts

**July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Semester 2 Fees due

## Volunteers

Are you interested in being a Volunteer for International Services? We need volunteers to help us prepare for Second Semester Orientation! It is a busy time, but with your help, we will welcome new students to UTAS for second semester.

It is a busy couple of weeks, and it is a great opportunity for you to lend a hand. You will be provided with training before hand, a bright red UTAS Volunteer T Shirt, and of course, you will be invited to participate in the Volunteers' Thank You Dinner!

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please come to International Services and ask to see a Student Adviser, or simply email [ISA.Hobart@utas.edu.au](mailto:ISA.Hobart@utas.edu.au).

## Hobart EnglishAssist Workshops

There is only one workshop left for this semester! Plan ahead so you can attend this workshop, and get prepared confidently for your exam. (Room 213, Social Sciences Building)

**May 25<sup>th</sup>**

Exam preparation

## Speaking Groups

Every Monday

from 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm  
Room 3.18 in the  
Medical Sciences Building  
and

Every Thursday

from 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm  
Room 460 in  
Hytten Hall

ALL FREE!!

Please see the EnglishAssist Web Page for more information. Go to UTAS home page and click on International Services, then Click on EnglishAssist.  
Ph: 6226 2946 or 6226 7349

## UTAS Community Friends and Networks Programme

Would you like the opportunity to be connected with people from the UTAS and local Hobart communities? Make friends and build networks now! Contact Danielle or Laura on 6226 2548, or email [community.friendship@utas.edu.au](mailto:community.friendship@utas.edu.au)

## Ask the TUU to help you!

Do you have questions regarding accommodation, safety, building networks with fellow students? You might like to talk with a fellow student first. Talk with the International Student Representatives from the TUU!

Contact Saleh (Vice President) [VP.South@tuu.utas.edu.au](mailto:VP.South@tuu.utas.edu.au), or Nabil (International Student Officer) [ants@utas.edu.au](mailto:ants@utas.edu.au)

## Skilled Migration Workshop

Recently the Australian Government made some changes to the Skilled Migration Programme. UTAS ISSU now gives you the opportunity to find out more. Mr. Nick Foong from the Department of Immigration and Citizenship will present an information session, and answer any questions you have about skilled migration.

When: Friday June 4<sup>th</sup>, 10.00 am

Where: Arts Lecture Theatre

For more info, contact UTAS ISSU.

### OSHC Claims

An important notice from UTAS International Services, to all students who make OSHC insurance claims.

As you know, when you go to the Doctor, you need to pay the fee up front. After you have paid the fee for your medical service, you need to take the receipt to your nearest Medibank Private office. There is one at 115 Collins Street, in Hobart.

At that time, it is very important to make sure that Medibank Private has your postal address and other contact details correctly stored.

If your address details are correct, then you can expect a cheque from Medibank Private to be delivered to your house. This is the refund that you are entitled to as a holder of Medibank Private OSHC.

### Rectango

Do you know Rectango? Go to Salamanca on Friday afternoons from 5.30 pm in the courtyard, to listen to some live music and meet with friends. A great way to relax after a busy week! Why not take it one step further and eat out at Salamanca! Choose from Italian, Greek, Indian, Vietnamese and more!

### Safety

Recently the TUU hosted a demonstration on the Ref steps, to call for support for safety for students. We heard that the motivation was to work towards a greater experience for all UTAS students, not just international students.

The police were at the demonstration and said that it is very important that students report incidences of violence and assault.

Professor David Rich also spoke about what the University is doing to increase safety for students. The work of the combined UTAS and Police taskforce is to increase the awareness of safety amongst the student body.

To download a copy of the UTAS safety booklet, go to this website <http://www.utas.edu.au/ams/security/index.html>, and click on 'Safety Booklet'.

### 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

### EnglishAssist Exam Tips

When is your exam? Can you take a dictionary? What else can you take into the exam? To answer these questions, go to the UTAS website, click on 'Current Students', and then click on 'Examinations and Results.'

To find previous years' exams for your unit, look at 'Past Exams' under 'Finding Information' on the Library homepage, or ask at the Library. Some past exam papers are also stored on MYLO.

How should you use the reading time during your exam? What mistakes make students lose marks unnecessarily in exams? Do you know how to make a study plan, and how to make sure you follow it? What are the best study activities?

To answer these questions and more contact EnglishAssist: EnglishAssist.Hobart@utas.edu.au, or call 6226 2946.

### Become a TV Star!!!

Would you like to be on television in Australia? The ABC is looking for students from India and the Asia Pacific region, who have lived in Australia for less than 5 years.

For more information check the following website:

<http://australianetwork.com/myaustralia/>

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