

International Student Support Unit News

Important Dates

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

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

December 9th – 16th
Deferred and supplementary exams

2010 HOBART PEACE FESTIVAL: Sunday, 26th September, 12pm—5pm

Location: Bellerive Boardwalk – [click for map](#)
Celebrate our Diversity at the 2010 Hobart Peace Festival. The event will be a colourful celebration of Hobart's Cultural Diversity featuring much loved local artists, including Chicada, Fabio Chivandha, Son del Sur, Honeysuckle Creek, and multicultural dance troupes including Bollywood, Congolese, Greek and more.

Yummy food is available for purchase at the event, and there will also be interactive activities to keep kids of all ages occupied.

This event is FREE, so come along and support local artists. See the [Facebook Event details online](#)

General Skilled Migration & Permanent Sponsored Visa Options.

Information will be presented by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship:

Launceston, Thursday, October 14th, 12pm—2pm
Location: Lecture Theatre 5 (Ferrall Centre)

Hobart, Tuesday, October 19th, 11am—1pm
Arts Lecture Theatre, near the Social Sciences Building.
Contact ISSU for more details.

World Party Tasmania: Saturday, October 16th, 2pm—late

Location: Hobart City Hall, 26-28 Macquarie St.
Hobart City Hall comes alive with the flavours and sounds of the global community. Come help celebrate the diversity of the Tasmanian multicultural community!
<http://www.worldpartytas.com/>

Do you have an event for international students to advertise in the newsletter? Email ISA.Hobart@utas.edu.au with the event details. Newsletters are sent out the last Friday of each month.

Hobart Show Day International Services Office Closed October 21

Please note that Thursday, October 21st is a public holiday and **International Services will be closed**. We will resume normal business hours on Friday the 22nd.

If you would like more information on the Hobart Show, [click here](#) to be directed to the website!

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. Please include your name and student ID in all correspondence. 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 exciting 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!

Learn and Improve IT Skills and Knowledge

'IT Online Training' has been updated and added to MyLO.

There are a number of links and modules which will connect you to training materials designed to help you to learn IT applications and improve your IT skills and knowledge.

There are links to Microsoft's online training materials and the International Computer Driving Licence. In addition there are training modules for other software including Acrobat, Captivate, Photoshop and Green IT.

You can directly access this training from MyLO or by clicking this link: [IT Training Online](#)

Medibank Private Important Information I

New ways to claim

There are now three ways to claim your medical expenses through Medibank Private:

Claim on the spot: if you visit a registered provider, then you can claim your expenses while you are on location in the medical centre.

Claim online: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, you can make your claim online.

Claim by post: Down load a claim form and send it in to Medibank private in Hobart.

For more information, log on to [Medibank Private's website](#), or contact ISSU.

Exams

It is already that time of semester when exams are nearing, and you may already feel the excitement drawing close!

On the other hand, you may be beginning to feel nervous, or worried about how to manage your time to get the most out of your studies.

If you feel that you would welcome some help, make sure to contact English Assist (details to the right of this column).

It is also a good idea to familiarize yourself with the University's information about exams.

What is the timetable? What should I do if I am sick or injured before my exam? What if I need special consideration for some reason?

[Click here](#) for more information, or contact ISSU.

Medibank Private Important Information II

The Australian Government has recently changed some rules. Next time you renew your OSHC, you **cannot** just pay for a year of cover, rather for the length of your Student Visa. For more information, log on to [Medibank Private's website](#), or contact ISSU.

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

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.

28th September
Writing Workshop 3

5th October
Writing Workshop 4

12th October
Exam Preparation 2

[Click here](#) for full schedule of workshops and speaking groups

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