

UOW Living at a glance

- Guaranteed places for first-year students
- More than 2600 beds in 7 student residences
- Award-winning wellbeing programs¹
- More than 90% satisfaction with wellbeing and student life²
- More than 90% satisfaction with staff support²
- World-class student support programs available to all students living in residences

Scholarships available

uow.info/residential-scholarships

Living + Learning Partners Residential Equity Scholarships

Living + Learning Partners Residential Scholarships for Excellence

International Student Accommodation Scholarships

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An inspiring home

University is the first time you get to call the shots about what your future is going to be, and a place where you can truly follow your passions to get there.

So why not make the most of it?

It's one thing to get a degree, it's another to know you earned it while truly making the most of life as a student.

Uni is not just what you learn. It's what you feel, who you connect with and it's those once-in-a-lifetime memories you make. For many of our students, this happens in the tight-knit community that is UOW Living.

At every turn of your UOW experience there will be opportunities to meet people from all over the world, to explore new ideas and to figure out what you stand for.

Whether you're interested in the most advanced technology, the environment or you want to get creative, UOW gives you the freedom to think independently and explore. You will gain exceptional access to lecturers who are at the forefront of research and industry.

They are passionate about sharing their knowledge, and are here to challenge and inspire you to greatness.

UOW takes education beyond the classroom. From day one, you will be given the tools to start thinking about your future. You will gain practical experience in real workplaces so that you graduate ready for your dream career. All of these things are why we have a reputation for providing a world-class education.

So make the most of university by achieving more than a degree. Explore your interests, form genuine friendships and make your mark: on a person, a business, a community or maybe even the world.

Wollongong is a university city

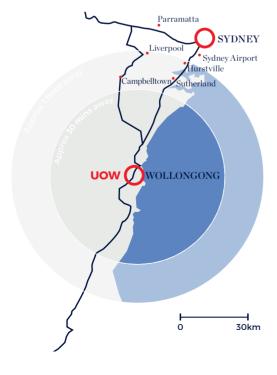
There's always something happening in Wollongong – so if you want to make it your home, here's why it is the perfect place to be a student.

In a prime location between the mountains and the sea, the Wollongong region is an adventurers dream filled with trails that lead to waterfalls, wildlife and breath-taking lookout points.

Whether you run, walk or cycle, do it with a view along the spectacular coastline overlooking scenic rock pools and 17 patrolled beaches.

If your study break doesn't involve the great outdoors, grab a bite to eat at the food markets throughout the week or visit one of the student haunts in 'The Gong'.

In vibrant coastal city filled with a bustling nightlife and a growing live music and arts scene, through to beautiful botanic gardens and peaceful study spots – you'll soon find your place to learn, live and belong.







Wollongong is busy (IN A GOOD WAY)

3000+ / BUSINESSES IN THE CBD

10 MILLION / ANNUAL VISITORS TO THE SOUTH COAST REGION

292,500 / POPULATION OF THE ILLAWARRA REGION

3RD / LARGEST CITY IN NSW

 ${\bf 4}$ ${\bf START\text{-}UPS}$ / NEW BUSINESSES AT UOW'S IACCELERATE





Wollongong is home (TO ALL KINDS OF STUDENTS)

26,000+ / STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AUSTRALIA

6,000+ / INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT UOW WOLLONGONG

 $\mathbf{28} \, / \, \text{PER}$ CENT OF STUDENTS ARE FROM REGIONAL AND REMOTE AREAS

9000 / COMMENCING STUDENTS EACH YEAR



Wollongong is close

2.4KM / BETWEEN CAMPUS AND BEACH

80KM OR 1 HR / TO SYDNEY

2.5 HR / TO CANBERRA

 $\mathbf{4}$ / FREE SHUTTLE BUSES CONNECTING CAMPUS, CBD AND NEARBY SUBURBS

Campus experience

At UOW, our campus experience is designed for the needs of our students. By working towards your goals in class, joining a student club or seeing a gig, you ultimately become part of one big community of learning.

As a student living in accommodation, you'll soon come to know the little things that make UOW home. Our Wollongong campus is like a village, where you'll meet our resident ducks in the pond, figure out where to find the best coffee and learn the quickest ways to navigate around campus.

From your daily workout, to a dose of music or a much needed study session, it's all within walking distance. So grab some lunch, meet new friends and have fun – that's your first semester on campus.

You can visit us for yourself and take a free campus tour - they run each Friday. It is your chance to see why our students are among the happiest and the most satisfied (and how you can be too). See **uow.info/campustours**

STAY HEALTHY

If you're in need of a doctor, a dentist, a dietitian or a psychologist – Campus Health has you covered. UOW has a range of health services and professionals available, as well as a free and confidential counselling service for students.

GET ACTIVE

Keep fit in the UOW gym, the Olympic-sized swimming pool, or in any one of 100 group exercise classes a week. More than 60 student sporting teams train and play at UOW, from social games to national comps. So whether you're hitting books or hitting punching bags, it's all part of student life at UOW.

JOIN THE CLUB

Get involved and find like-minded people through UOW's 120 student clubs and societies. If none of the existing ones take your fancy, it's easy to start your own.

SEE A GIG

More than 180 live acts entertain on campus every year, including UOW student musicians on the duck pond lawn and a busy schedule of international acts at the UOW UniBar.

EAT WELL

UOW students are spoilt for choice with everything from bibimbap to bubble tea, coffee and cake to pizza and pide, and you're sure to find something you like. The IGA supermarket has everything you need to cook at home, as well as ready-made meals you can heat in the microwaves conveniently located for students on campus.





















We'll support you

Living in the UOW residences makes the start of your university experience so much easier. Not only do we guarantee accommodation for eligible students, your safety and security are top priorities for us as well.

SCHOLARSHIPS

UOW offers a number of scholarships for students living in accommodation, based on both equity and excellence. Having financial support means one less thing to worry about.

The scholarships available to students for accommodation are Living + Learning Partners Residential Equity Scholarships worth \$5,000, Living + Learning Partners Residential Scholarship for Excellence worth \$15,000, and International Student Accommodation Scholarships worth \$5,000.

Find out more and apply at **uow.info/residential-scholarships**

GUARANTEED ACCOMMODATION FOR ELIGIBLE FIRST-YEARS

Whether you're relocating to Wollongong or you're a born and bred local, UOW Living guarantees eligible first-year students a place in a UOW residence. Knowing you're going to have a roof over your head is one less thing to worry about, leaving you free to concentrate on your studies.

See conditions and apply at **uow.info/accommodation** by 11 November 2019.

EXPERT SUPPORT STAFF

Each residence is managed by an experienced Student Residence Manager and supported by trained student leaders and support staff. There is someone onsite and available 24 hours a day and the student leader teams are committed to ensuring students can live and learn in a safe community. Student leader positions are highly sought after and are only available to second year students and beyond. They are selected through a competitive recruitment process. Student leaders take part in a comprehensive training program that equips them with a range of skills to ensure a harmonious and supportive community. They are trained to assist with issues, including homesickness, adapting to university life, personal difficulties and assisting with academic support. They are also well qualified to deal with an emergency – the residence teams are trained in first aid and other emergency procedures.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Every residence offers academic programs, including peer mentoring, formal tutorial sessions and lectures from guest academics. These all complement the academic programs available on-campus to give UOW residents the best chance of academic success – part of why residents consistently perform better in their studies than non-residents.

RESPASS

ResPASS is an academic program based on the PASS (Peer Assisted Study Sessions) program run at the University. This free academic assistance program utilises peer-led study groups called Peer Learning groups (PLGs), and is available at all of our residences.

UNICAN

The UniCan Alcohol Accreditation Program aims to reduce alcohol related incidents and promote responsible drinking in universities. This is done through events and activities that do not involve alcohol, an education and awareness program in residences, and by providing resources and support to students. UOW residences are some of the first in Australia to receive official accreditation for their UniCan program.

Instant community

There's nothing quite like arriving to the welcoming atmosphere of your new residence and meeting people from all over Australia and the world. They might be strangers at first, but pretty quickly they become like family. It's an experience unique to living in student accommodation.

- Make new friends that will last well beyond university
- Experience a wider range of ideas and cultures
- Independent living without hassles, like bills
- Enjoy all the social, sporting, cultural and community activities
- Develop leadership skills through student leader roles

HOW WE DIFFER

The wellbeing and safety of our students is where we really make a difference with our world-class support programs and our extensive range of wellbeing, cultural, social, sporting and academic programs that are available to all students living in the residences. This is what really sets us apart.

ARRIVING AND FITTING IN

Every residence holds an Orientation Week or similar welcome for new residents. You'll get to know your new neighbours and get used to your surroundings. Over the week you can choose from movie nights, beach barbecues, tenpin bowling, hikes, bike rides, yoga, talent quests: plenty of chances to make friends and get a feel for your new home.

SOCIAL LIFE

From welcome dinners to combined residence sporting events, there is always something happening at student residences. It's not all about study, and each residence holds a number of events during each session. Some are formal, some are informal and many are organised by the students. You may want to do yoga, join a bus trip to Sydney, take part in cooking lessons, get involved in charity events or go surfing. Some of the regular events include:

- UOW Living Ball
- Welcome to Country Dinner
- Orientation Week
- Cross Community Sports Events
- International Food Fair

WELLBEING

Kooloobong Village is the world's first positive residence, planned and run entirely on the science of positive psychology and positive organisations. This is executed through the Live Out Loud program, which is based on a range of tools and activities guided by experienced staff who are committed to this vision. So whether you want to pay more attention to the planet, your home, the people around you, or your body, mind or spirit, you can live positive at UOW.



Our residences

UOW Living provides a range of options that suit differing budgets and living needs. More than that, our accommodation enriches your UOW experience.

Rarely will you have the chance to live in a community that has people from so many walks of life and countries. At UOW Living you will benefit from an environment committed to providing high academic achievement, involvement, development and fun.

WHAT YOU GET WHEN YOU LIVE AT UOW

STANDARD INCLUSIONS

All UOW residences have the following utilities covered as standard inclusions:

- Water
- Gas
- Electricity
- Quota free wi-fi in all rooms

FURNITURE AND FITTINGS

All individual rooms are furnished with a bed, mattress, chair and desk. The self-catered units have cooking and living facilities and some have TVs. Students are encouraged to personalise their rooms and units with additional furniture and decorations, but to check with the individual residences first.

PARTNERS & FAMILY MEMBERS

Accommodation in most residences is for individual students only. Family accommodation is available at Graduate House and Bangalay. Accommodation for couples is available at Graduate House, and Bangalay. For more information contact UOW Living on (02) 4221 5467 or accom-services@uow.edu.au

UOW LIVING WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disability will have their needs individually assessed by UOW's qualified Disability Services team to design a living and learning space where they will thrive.

UOW Living offers a number of accessible residences, and further modifications are possible. When you receive your offer to a place in UOW accommodation, you should book a personalised residence tour—UOW Living and Disability Services staff will take you through your residence and make sure your needs will be met. For a support consultation, or to discuss how we can help you reach your study goals, call Disability Services on (02) 4221 3445 or email disability_services@uow.edu.au

ACCOMMODATION GUARANTEE

UOW Living guarantees accommodation to all students in their first year of study, provided they meet the conditions.

uow.info/accomm-guarantee

UOW offers residences for undergraduate and postgraduate students, including accommodation for families.



Bangalay

Self-catered

Furnished units with private kitchen, living, and bathroom facilities ranging from single studios to three bedroom units

Designated units for postgraduate, mature age and students studying at UOW with families

Number of residents: 254

Contract length: 52 weeks

Bangalay is the newest student residence for UOW and welcomed students for the first time in Autumn session, 2017. Located on Northfields Avenue just across the road from the Wollongong campus, this residence features modern facilities, landscaped outdoor communal areas, recreation areas, study and meeting facilities.

Students will love the convenient location and the modern facilities of Bangalay. All residents here can easily access the on-campus cafes, retail outlets such as the new supermarket IGA, the UOW sporting complex URAC and the beautiful university grounds. Not to mention how easy it is to attend lectures when you are living on campus. Families with children will enjoy the family friendly facilities, the proximity to the local childcare KidsUni, and the facilities at the adjacent Botanical Gardens.

The units are a mix of single bed studios, double bed studios, two bed and three bed family units. For the two and three bedroom family units, preference will be given to families with children, with a maximum of two children per room. Families wishing to house more than two children per room should first seek permission.



Campus East

Flexi-catered / Self-catered

Shared units range from two to five single bedrooms with shared bathrooms

Undergraduate flexi and self-catered units with some postgraduate units

Number of residents: 527

Contract length: 44 weeks

Campus East is located on the University's Innovation Campus at North Wollongong and is directly across the road from one of Wollongong's best surfing beaches. It is less than 10 minutes' drive north of the main University campus. The free shuttle bus to the main campus stops just outside Campus East. Students have access to playing fields, running tracks and bike paths. Shops, supermarkets and take-away food outlets are all short walks away.

An all-day cafe, barbecue facilities, games room, TV lounges, meeting rooms and computer laboratories are all available within the college precinct. Residents can also access the facilities at the Innovation Campus, which include a gym and coffee shops.

As the largest of the residences, there is always something happening and residents can take part in study groups, social and sporting activities, and community service opportunities.

FLEXIBLE CATERING

Residents can purchase meals from the dining hall and from the on-site cafe, which is open throughout the day. There are limited catering facilities for those living in flexi-catered units. These include a small communal kitchen, two BBQ's, a new hot meal vending machine and microwaves.





Graduate House

Self-catered units

Postgraduate, family and mature age accommodation

Suitable for couple and families

Fully furnished

Number of units: 78

Contract length: 52 weeks

Graduate House is a unique environment for UOW postgraduate students and their families. Graduate House offers a mix of bedsits for singles and couples and two- and three-bedroom units for families. All units have cooking facilities provided along with furniture and a fridge.

The Botanic Gardens are next door and Wollongong City is a five-minute drive.

This postgraduate community is diverse and includes singles, couples and families from around the world. The close community has regular social activities suitable for families with children.



International House

Fully catered - 19 meals a week

16 twin share rooms

190 single rooms

Number of residents: 223

Contract length: 52 weeks

The mission of International House is to promote global wellbeing by enabling its residents to be intercultural leaders. Intercultural leaders understand cultural differences and help others to understand their differences and build international friendships.

International House is walking distance to North Wollongong station, close to the University campus and about 15 minutes' walk to the beach.

The free shuttle to the main campus stops at the North Wollongong train station.

LIVE GLOBAL WITHOUT THE TRAVEL

Home to many Australian and international students, International House and its mission is at the centre of the international and community engagement strategies of the University of Wollongong. By being part of the International Houses Worldwide (IHWW) network, UOW International House students and alumni can gain valuable linkages through the IHWW network, located in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, Europe and North America.

Strong international friendships are formed here as students meet people from all over the world and have the opportunity to learn about different cultures and customs. An established alumni connection has resulted from this culture.



Kooloobong Village

Self-catered units

Furnished undergraduate and postgraduate rooms

Number of residents: 1258

Contract length: 52, 44 or 43 weeks

Kooloobong Village is one of two UOW residences located right on campus. This convenient location puts residents minutes from their classes, and makes for easy access to learning facilities like the UOW library. In addition to this, the UOW outdoor swimming pool, lecture rooms and sporting grounds are a short walk away.

All students at Kooloobong Village have access to facilities including outdoor barbecue facilities, landscaped outdoor communal areas, recreation areas and meeting facilities.

Kooloobong Village is ideal for students who want to live independently and do all their own cooking, cleaning and grocery shopping, while still benefiting from the development programs and social events offered through the residences.

Kooloobong Village added an additional 800 beds in 2018, in three brand new buildings. Modern facilities feature in these new four-bedroom self-catered units and single-bed studios, making a welcome addition to the very popular Kooloobong Village community.

POSITIVE LIVING

Unique to Kooloobong Village is the focus on positive psychology, a world-first for student residences where everything is planned and run entirely based on the science of human flourishing – how we can be the best we can. The vision of having every student flourish while living at UOW is firmly supported by the combination of wellbeing and education.



Marketview

Self-catered rooms

Single rooms with private ensuite & TV

Number of residents: 144

Contract length: 52 weeks

Enjoy the feel of this motel-style residence, which is conveniently located in the heart of Wollongong city. Students experiencing Marketview will be able to make the most of a central location while they study and take advantage of all that the city has to offer. Marketview is within walking distance to great cafes, restaurants, shops, cultural events and the beach. Students will also benefit from the support and community that UOW Living gives to all of its students.

Marketview offers modern standard and premium rooms with a flat screen TV and ensuite in each room. Rooms are all fully furnished, and the property is managed by University staff, so you will feel at home.



Weerona

Fully catered - 19 meals a week

35 twin share rooms 134 single rooms Number of residents: 204

Contract length: 44 weeks

Weerona College is next door to Beaton Park sporting complex, which features an indoor pool, gymnasium, tennis courts and running track. Weerona's own facilities include a dining room, a popular outdoor courtyard and barbecue area, native gardens, indoor games room with TV and small kitchenettes.

Weerona College is a 15-minute walk to the main UOW campus or a 5-minute ride on the free shuttle bus, which stops just outside.

Weerona offers a strong community culture with a vibrant social and sporting program for residents while being conducive to study. Residents are from all over the world and Weerona is an ideal place for first-years or other students who want fully catered accommodation.

WEERONA COMMUNITY

Community engagement and fundraising is an important part of the Weerona culture. Students are actively involved in organising activities such as the Community Awareness Week each year, which is aimed at raising awareness and money for many charities and community services. Some of the events throughout the year include the Pink Breakfast, Girls Night In, and raising funds for the Cancer Council by participating in Relay for Life.

New facilities now open

UOW welcomed the opening of three new buildings in Kooloobong Village in 2018, named Jeroo, Jerrara and Jurunga by the local Indigenous community.

Kooloobong Village is recognised as the world's first positive residence; based on the scientific principles of positive psychology, the precinct was designed to foster lifelong wellbeing in students who live at on-campus accommodation.

Located on the south-western end of Wollongong campus, Kooloobong Village houses a diverse population of undergraduate and postgraduate students. The precinct comprises a mix of newer and older style studios, premium studios and four and five bedroom units. The newer units feature self-catered accommodation comprised of single studio rooms, premium single studio rooms, and four bedroom units.

Residents have access to a range of modern facilities, including indoor and outdoor cinemas, BBQ facilities, music rooms, movement space, gamers lounge, a sound-proof music room, activities room and meditation/yoga prayer spaces, in addition to study lounges and communal areas. The new facilities complement the existing outdoor facilities, which include a basketball court, games room and other communal spaces.

Kooloobong Village is the result of UOW's vision to provide modern, high-quality, on-campus accommodation for Australian and international students, and is the second of two recent accommodation expansion projects for the Wollongong campus, the first being the nearby postgraduate accommodation complex Bangalay.











Kooloobong Village

Self-catered units

Undergraduate

Fully furnished

Number of residents: 1258



Quick reference guide

		Length of contract (weeks)	Number of beds	Single rooms	Shared rooms	Bathrooms	Undergraduate accommodation	Postgraduate accommodation	Meal service (19 per week)	Free shuttle bus nearby	5/10 minute walk to train station	Close to popular beaches	Close to shops and cafes
В	BANGALAY Self catered Postgrad, family and mature age	52	254	•		P	М	•		•			•
CE	CAMPUS EAST Flexi catered/ Self catered	44	527	*		S	~	•	~	•	•	•	•
GH	GRADUATE HOUSE Self catered Postgrad, family and mature age	52	78 units	~		P	М	~		•			•
íH	INTERNATIONAL HOUSE Catered	52	223	•	~	S	~	•	~	•	•		
КВ	KOOLOOBONG VILLAGE Self catered	52 , 44 & 43	1258	•		S	~	~		~			~
MV	MARKETVIEW Self catered	52	144	•		P	•	~		•	~	~	•
w	WEERONA Catered	44	204	~	•	S	~	~	•	~	~		•

Other accommodation options

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

If you'd prefer to live away from campus, an option you might like to consider is private, shared or single accommodation. Detailed information about these options, your rights as a tenant and general hints and tips can be found on the Accommodation Services website:

uow.edu.au/accommodation/liveoffcampus

It is strongly recommended that you review the information available on the website before entering into any arrangements. Please contact the Housing Services Coordinator on **(02) 4221 5646** or email **housing-officer@uow.edu.au** to discuss your needs.

UOW STUDYSTAYS

UOW StudyStays is the online property listing website that allows students to search for appropriate and suitable accommodation that is anything from temporary (up to two weeks) to permanent accommodation (six months or longer). For up-to-date private accommodation listings (both properties and shared housing), register for a free account on UOW StudyStays:

uow.studystays.com

There are lots of tips and tricks for renting in the Illawarra on UOW StudyStays that will help you quickly find suitable accommodation and get you up to speed on what you can expect in a tenancy agreement.

HOMESTAY

You will have the opportunity to enjoy the company of children, family pets (if you wish) and other extended family members. Your host family will generally keep similar hours to you, and meals are provided. Homestay can be a fun option for international students who are already enrolled in a University course.

For further information contact:

The UOW College Homestay Team Tel: **(02) 4221 5559**

Email: homestay-enquiries@uow.edu.au

Web: uow.college/homestay



Transport in Wollongong

When you live in a UOW residence, getting around Wollongong CBD and to the Wollongong campus is easy. There is no need to bring a car with you or buy one when you move because there are more convenient and cheaper transport options for you. Parking is limited and expensive both on campus and at residences.

All residences are close to a free shuttle bus, and all free buses come to the Wollongong campus. Walking and cycling is great for your fitness, and there are many shared paths in Wollongong to help you get around quickly.

For more information on transport:

- uow.info/transport
- speak to your student residence leader



BICYCLE

UOW has secure and convenient bike parking for 900 bikes. Bike share schemes are also available at some residences: uow.info/bikeshare



CAR

The UOW carpooling program lets you park for free when you bring two friends. A car share scheme is also available at some residences: uow.info/carshare



WALK

Most destinations in Wollongong are an easy walk away.



North Wollongong station is a 15-minute walk or a short free shuttle bus ride from our Wollongong campus.



BUS

Wollongong is well connected with city buses going to all its suburbs.

Free 'city loop' buses run all day and into the night, linking UOW with the city

Buses and trains servicing Wollongong use the pay-as-you-go Opal Card system. Travel as much as you want on all Opalenabled trains and buses and never pay more than \$15.40 a day or \$61.60 a week*.





See it for yourself

Choosing the right residence to live in is an important part of your time at uni. One of the best ways for you and your parents to find out about a residence is to visit and take a tour of the grounds. You can look at the rooms, see the other facilities and talk to the staff. Campus Tours are free and are conducted by current UOW students. They are held every Friday at 10.30am and 2.30pm. When you book online, you can also book a tour of a residence. To do this go to **uow.info/campustours**

Alternatively, give us a call on **02 4221 5467.**

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