

# RIGHT IN THE HEART OF MELBOURNE

### ACROSS THE ROAD FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

University College is located on College Crescent, across the road from the University of Melbourne's main campus. The College is close enough to enjoy all the benefits of proximity to the University, but far enough away so that you can truly relax when you come home.

The city centre is a 10 minute tram ride or a 20 minute walk away. Cafés and restaurants of cosmopolitan Lygon Street, Carlton are a 10 minute walk away.

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### **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE?**

"The community spirit and support that I have experienced this year still regularly blows my socks off. I can confidently say I've already made lifelong friends... we look out for each other night and day."

- Erica

### FRIENDLY, RELAXED AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY

UC is a diverse community of domestic and international students, where you are free to be yourself. Above all, the great thing about living at UC is that different year levels, undergraduates and graduates mix freely, with resident tutors also living amongst students. Living at College is a time to meet new people from diverse backgrounds and disciplines, with whom you will learn and grow, forging life-long friendships.



### TO UNIVERSITY COLLEGE



University College is a forward looking college with a unique history. It was founded in 1937 as an independent, non-denominational College for women, known as University Women's College. What began as a women's college (with just nine students) is now a co-residential college of 340 undergraduates and graduates.

Over the past few years, the largest capital works project in the history of the College has been completed. We are particularly proud of the Passive House Standard to which the dining hall and 183 new en-suite rooms have been built. This reflects our commitment to environmental sustainability.

Most of all we are delighted with the growth and greater diversity of our community, made possible by our wonderful new facilities. More students now have access to the UC experience, supported by our specialist wellbeing and academic staff and range of new programs. Enhanced cultural, social and sporting activities are also a key feature.

UC is a community that lives by the principles of respect, mutual support, and collective responsibility with you, our students, front and centre. It is a truly special place – once described as a 'Cherished Island' – which remains so for many generations of students and alumni. I do hope you will join us.

Dr Jennifer McDonald Head of College



## YOURSELF AT UNIVERSITY COLLEGE?

It's essential to live somewhere that feels like home, and will help you transition to university life. UC is a place where you can easily meet people and establish life-long friendships while pursuing your academic studies. It's a great lifestyle, with so many sporting, social and cultural activities to choose from, and with meals, tutorials and wellbeing programs all included.



### IS ITS PEOPLE

"Living at College has been incredible. The people are what make it... I truly believe that it's where you make lifelong friendships."

- Jayden

Students say they feel at home as soon as they walk through the doors at UC. Students and staff all know each other by name, and there is a genuine care and support for one another.

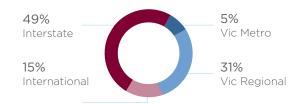
Our campus is a real mix - we have students from four different universities, studying a variety of degrees. UC is also popular with rural students making their first move to a big city, as well as interstate and international students who travel from many miles away to join our friendly community.

College is all about support and networks - so we look for kind, respectful, thoughtful, inquisitive and enthusiastic people to join us at UC, whether it be as students, staff, resident tutors or student leaders.



From the day you move in at UC there are a variety of activities on offer aimed to introduce you to amazing new friends and help you have fun exploring Melbourne together, eliminating that daunting feeling that may accompany such a big life transition.

### WHERE ARE STUDENTS FROM?





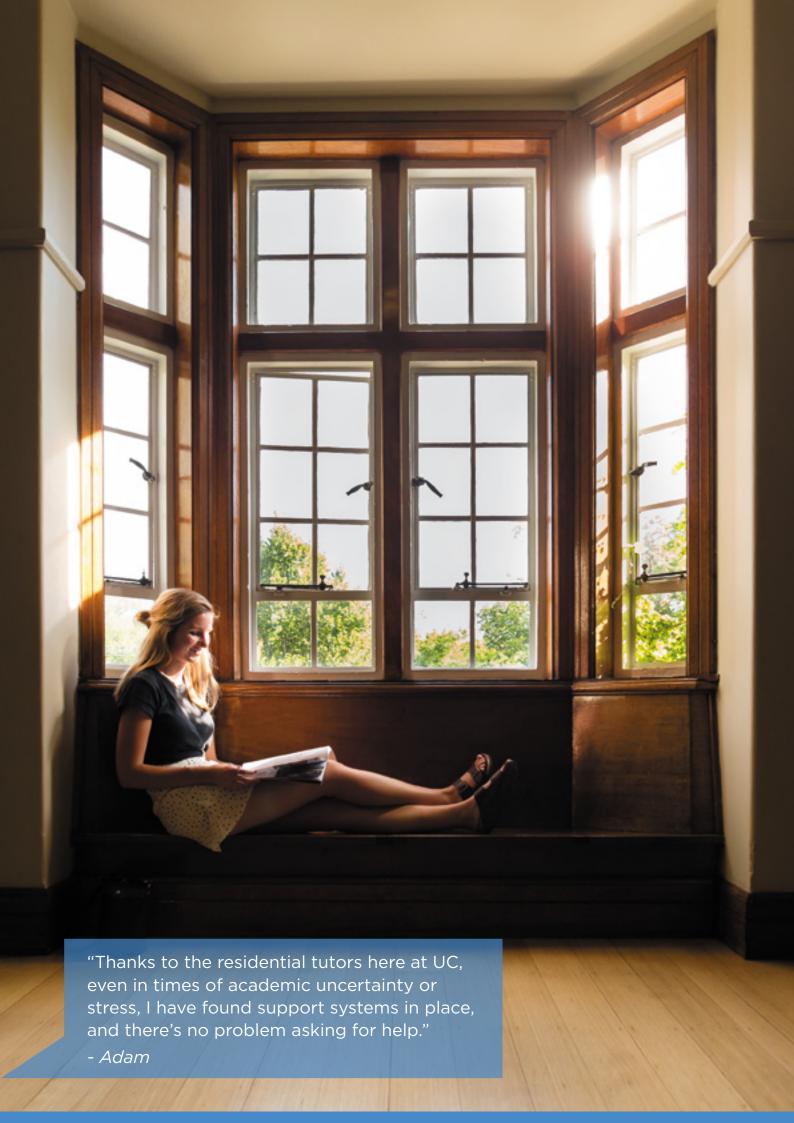
6% Graduates and Resident Tutors



94% Undergraduates



340 Students





### & SUCCESS IS OUR PRIORITY

environment that places emphasis on growth... and UC provides the individualised support needed to complete your personal goals."

- Amber

UC is very different - and so are you. You're looking to grow and shape your future - and we're here to help you along the way.

When you come to UC, we support you and help you succeed through our:

- Wellbeing programs
- Learning programs
- Student Club programs



### **PROGRAMS**

Student wellbeing and pastoral care is a top priority. UC does everything possible to ensure students are supported through their various stages of transition and adjustment.



- A dedicated Dean of Students and Student Wellbeing Coordinator are on hand for drop-in advice and support.
- Provision of immediate care, crisis support and triage to relevant services for ongoing or urgent care.
- A Wellbeing Committee consisting of staff and student representatives to discuss and drive wellbeing initiatives at UC.
- An evolving program of wellbeing activities including yoga, self-defence classes, healthy eating afternoons, specialist workshops, speakers and more.
- Advice and training around mental and physical health and respectful relationships.
- Resident tutors as mentors and on overnight and 24 hr weekend duty in case of an emergency.









#### **COURSE RELATED LEARNING**

- Access to a wide range of weekly tutorials to support your studies. Tutorials are led by approachable tutors who know you and you know them.
- Consultations are available for students seeking specialised one-on-one assistance.
- Our Dean of Studies is available for advice and guidance on subject selection, special consideration, course changes or other academic and career related matters.
- Peer learning opportunities with senior undergraduate and post graduate students.
- Ten resident tutors who live at College and over 30 non-resident tutors available to answer any questions relating to your course, and help you prepare for assessments and exams.

### **COLLABORATIVE LEARNING SPACES**

- Our library and tutorial rooms are great places to study. The library has a self-check facility, is open 24/7, and includes computers, scanners, printing facilities and free Wi-Fi. Library assistants are on hand to help you find resources.
- There are also music rooms and an art and design studio.

#### INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING

- We encourage students to participate in interdisciplinary learning opportunities that are organised throughout the year such as lectures, forums and fireside chats.
- · All UC students are welcome to attend any tutorials, even if you are not enrolled in the subject.



#### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

There are a number of opportunities to take on leadership positions at UC, no matter where your interests lie. Our student executive committee is responsible for managing a lot of College events, helping put together a varied calendar of activities that start with welcoming new students on Welcome Sunday.

There are various representative positions for music, sustainability, wellbeing, merchandising, photography and more, offering further opportunities to broaden your experience and strengthen your CV.





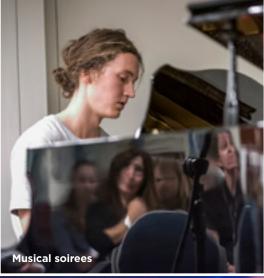
#### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- UC organises various events throughout the year, such as resume writing workshops, advice on enhancing your professional social media profile, conversations with industry professionals and broader networking events.
- Mentoring is available at all stages of your academic journey. All first year students have a resident tutor mentor, who is there to assist you in your transition to university.
- $\bullet \ \ \text{For our later year students we facilitate professional interactions with our alumni and internship opportunities}.$

"I was one of the social secretaries for UC, which involved organising and facilitating all the social events. I loved being able to get involved and take on a leadership position. It was an experience that taught me a lot!"

- Matilda









### AND EXPAND YOUR INTERESTS

Many new students remark how much they have evolved in their first year at UC. A wealth of opportunities exist across a wide range of activities, as life in College allows students to explore all areas of their potential.

"I love that UC enables me to engage in activities that I have a passion for, but am not studying."

- Mollie







Whether you have a knack for music, sports, drama or debating, there are endless social, cultural and sporting activities to get involved in at UC. College is the perfect place for you to refine your talents, or get amongst it and try something new.



"The college year is jam-packed with sports events, intercollegiate events, carnivals, performances and competitions, so I'm able to get involved whenever and wherever I like across a range of areas. The opportunities are endless!"

- Mallory



### THE HEART OF UC

UC's dining hall is the heart of the College community. It is a place where there is always someone to talk to as you gather for a meal. These conversations will help you discover new insights and perspectives, which have the power to transform the way you see the world. That is why we have built this extraordinary space, so that we can continue to cultivate these conversations at the heart of the College experience.

### **HEALTHY MEALS AND FORMAL DINNERS**

All meals are provided (21 per week) and freshly prepared by the College's own catering staff, because we believe seeing the same friendly faces making your food every day helps it feel even more like home.

Twice a week UC hosts formal dinners, known as High Table, when students wear their academic gowns and the College community comes together for a delicious three-course meal. This is a perfect opportunity for the Head of College, Deans and Student Club leaders to keep residents up to date with what's happening at UC, or invite along a special guest speaker.

- Menus are varied, with regular new additions and plenty of fruit and healthy options available.
- Special dietary requirements are catered for.
- If you will miss a meal, we can prepare you a packed lunch, or dinner to reheat later.
- Special formal dinners mark the start and end of the academic year - Commencement Dinner and Valedictory Dinner are favourites with students.

There are also jobs for our students in the kitchen (as well as other areas of the College) should you be interested in gaining some valuable experience without having to travel too far for work!



### **EN-SUITE ROOMS**

UC provides first class facilities and communal spaces for our students, with 183 new rooms, all with en-suite bathroom facilities.

Two thirds of our rooms now have private bathrooms and increasing your chances of securing one of these modern



**340 Places** 



228 Ensuite Rooms



112 Heritage Rooms
(shared bathroom)

### YOUR VERY OWN ROOM

- UC student rooms are generous in size, complete with natural light and garden views.
- Two thirds of our rooms now have private bathrooms and 80% feature double beds.
- They are fully furnished with a bed, desk, chair, wardrobe and sometimes additional shelving or bookcases.
- Most of the rooms have their own en-suite, while others are located in wings which have shared bathrooms. Each wing also features shared laundry facilities and kitchenettes with a fridge, microwave and kettle.
- Sixty of our new rooms feature a loft space, which can be used for additional storage or as a lounge area.



### **EXPERIENCE**

"I think everyone from UC is easy to talk to. I feel like people here are generally very nice and the graduate students do participate in a lot of activities hosted by undergraduate students, so we feel very welcomed!"

- On Zhi

As a graduate student, your life at UC can be customised however you like, but being a part of our community will add balance to the often intense experience of undertaking graduate study.

You might find yourself participating in some of UC's many social and cultural events, engaging in intellectual discussions with guest speakers or visiting scholars at our fireside chats, or relaxing with fellow graduates in the Senior Common Room. Furthermore, you get to participate in a number of organised activities for graduate students, such as wine and cheese evenings, dinners, painting classes, game nights and group study sessions. You will also have access to private spaces, conducive to self-directed study, group discussions or research.

Graduates are encouraged to mix and mingle freely with undergraduate students, and there are opportunities for you to tutor undergraduates in your specialised field of study, offering you the chance to share your knowledge. Graduates are also encouraged to participate in the various networking and professional development events that we organise, as such events can facilitate useful industry connections and even job opportunities.

The graduate cohort at UC is small, but very welcoming, so there's always someone to talk to who understands your situation, and the undergraduate community adds a fun alternative dimension to the college experience.



#### **VISIT UC**

The best way to make your decision is to come and experience UC for yourself. Open Day is held in August each year, and offers a great opportunity to meet current students, take a tour and hear why students love living at UC.

If you can't make Open Day, contact the College to arrange a personal tour.

### **APPLICATIONS**

UC accepts students from the University of Melbourne, RMIT degree courses, ACU and Monash Pharmacy.

Applications are open all year round, and places are in high demand, so students are advised to apply early and to put UC as their first preference. Provisional offers can be made to students, even if you don't yet have a university offer.

Apply online at the intercollegiate website www.colleges.unimelb.edu.au

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The University College Scholarship Program recognises academic excellence and supports students who require financial assistance.

To be eligible for a scholarship, UC must be placed as your college of first preference on your online application form. Please enquire about financial support when you apply.

Visit www.unicol.unimelb.edu.au/scholarships for more information.

#### **PAID WORK OPPORTUNITIES**

University College also offers a number of paid work positions in hospitality, maintenance and the library.

### **ALL INCLUSIVE FEES**

College fees for undergraduate students are for 35 weeks of residence during the two semesters of the university academic year (this can be extended for graduates and international students). Please check our website for the most current fee information.

### AT UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, THE FEES COVER:

- A well-furnished, secure bedroom for two semesters (35 weeks)
- All meals (total of 21 per week)
- Unlimited WiFi
- All utility bills (electricity, water)
- A comprehensive academic program including tutorials, consultations, academic mentoring, faculty dinners and library facilities
- Academic and career focused forums, seminars and workshops
- Pastoral support and personal wellbeing programs
- Use of a well-equipped gym and multi-purpose court
- Participation in intercollegiate sports, social and cultural activities
- As well as the priceless, intangible things like life-long friendships!

#### **ADDITIONAL FEES:**

- Enrolment Fee
- Bond (refundable if there is no damage to room)
- Building Levy
- Student Club Fee
- Student Club Orientation Week Levy

#### **OPTIONAL FEES INCLUDE:**

- Linen packs can be purchased at the College
- Car parking charged per semester (limited spaces available)
- Under-bed storage units

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