

Dear Valued agent partners,

November is upon us and we are fast approaching the end of 2021. We are looking forward to a more positive 2022 with the commencement in December of the NSW Safe Corridor program. The first two flights will see the commencement of the return of international students to NSW and Western Sydney University will be welcoming a number of our students who have been unable to get back to Australia until now. We are hoping this pilot scheme will be extended into early 2022 scaling up the numbers of returning students.

In addition to this important initiative from the universities in NSW and the NSW and Federal governments there are many exciting developments at Western:

## FINAL REMINDER - SESSION 3 NEW INTAKE FOR 2021 AND BONUS COMMISSION



Our Session 3, 29 November 2021 is starting soon. Please forward your applications on Studylink for students seeking to start now in the programs below.

The new intake offers a great opportunity for those students who missed out on their start with us in Session 2 this year. There is a great range of popular bachelor and master degrees available:

- The following degree programs will be included: Business, Accounting, Engineering, Teaching and Computing and ICT
- All students commencing in our Bachelor degrees will be offered an automatic \$3,000 multi-year scholarship.
- All students commencing in the Master degrees offered in this intake will also benefit from an automatic \$6,000 multi-year scholarship.

Check out our website for further information.

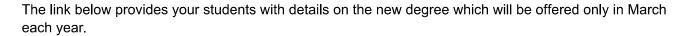
In addition to this offer, Western is incentivising you, our agent partners, with an additional \$500 bonus commission for each student who successfully enrols in this intake.

## BACHELOR OF ADVANCED ENGINEERING (HONS) - CRICOS 063560B

Western Sydney University is launching a new Bachelor Degree in Advanced Engineering (Hons) for 2022. The program targets students with above average high school results and offers a range of great benefits including, strong employer engagement through our Launch Pad and industrial experience program, delivery at the brand new Engineering Innovation Hub in Parramatta CBD, and options for transition to UNSW for years 3 and 4 (Students must meet UNSW threshold requirements having a GPA of 5.7/7.0 to transfer).

The following specialisations are available in our Advanced program with four being available for the special UNSW transfer\* option in year 3.

- Electrical Engineering\*
- Mechanical Engineering\*
- Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering\*
- Software Engineering\*
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Materials Engineering
- Sustainability Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Construction Engineering



https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/courses/undergraduate/bachelor-of-engineering-advanced-honours-wsu-unsw-collaborative-program

We will still be offering our popular Engineers Australia accredited <u>Bachelor of Engineering (Hons)</u> CRICOS 089429B with intakes in March and July which will also offer the specialisations above (except for Software Engineering).

The new \$300 million development at 6 Hassell Street Parramatta CBD will offer your students a fantastic state of the art learning environment for programs in Engineering and Built Environment with new labs and teaching facilities all housed alongside our Launch Pad technology innovation centre, Maker Space, and industry partners in the technology space.







## Western Sydney University's School of Business achieves global accreditation

Western Sydney University's School of Business has been awarded the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) accreditation for its excellence in business education. The AACSB accreditation is the longest-standing, most prestigious international accreditation for university business programs.

Western's School of Business was commended for its work-integrated learning initiatives, its commitment to multi-disciplinary research to address contemporary social and economic challenges, and its enterprise and international engagement.

Western Sydney University Vice-Chancellor and President, Professor Barney Glover AO, said the AACSB accreditation is an outstanding achievement for the School of Business, and offered his congratulations to the School's staff and students.

"Less than 6 per cent of business schools around the world are AACSB accredited, and the University is incredibly proud that our School of Business is counted amongst that prestigious group. This accreditation is testament to the School of Business' commitment to delivering the highest quality business education for our students," said Professor Glover.

Read our <u>full media release</u> to learn more about this outstanding achievement.

#### 1 YEAR MASTERS OPTION AT SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Western Sydney University's Sydney Graduate School of Management (SGSM) has made some positive changes to entry requirements for access to shorter 1 year duration Masters programs.

The range of Masters degrees at SGSM is as follows:

- Master of Business (Operations Management)
- Master of Management
- · Master of Human Resource Management
- · Master of Marketing
- · Master of Property Investment and Development
- Master of Finance

Master of Business Analytics

To qualify for these 1 year duration programs, applicants will now need to have a completed Bachelor degree in a related business discipline with a 65% credit average score.

#### WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY - PAID WORK PROJECT WITH THE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

One of the key reasons students choose study with universities overseas is to boost their employability on the global market. One of the best ways to achieve this is through integrated work experiences in their degrees that provide real world exposure to the modern Australian professional workplace.

Through Western Sydney University's – <u>Career Hub</u> International students who commenced in the first half of 2021 and who are onshore will be offered the opportunity to gain an 80 hour paid work experience opportunity this summer with one of the internal business units at our institution or with one of our external business partners.

This great opportunity will provide real Australian work experience in a professional business setting, enhance our international students' CVs, and offer excellent wages for the 80 hour placement.

Eligible students for this program were contacted last week and we look forward to continuing this great opportunity into 2022.

# BACHELOR OF NURSING AND BACHELOR OF NURSING (GRADUATE ENTRY) - SEATS AVAILABLE

Our two popular qualifying Nursing programs at Western Sydney University remain very popular with international students due to world class teaching and facilities, high ranking, accreditation, practical training, course duration and locations and very



competitive fees including international scholarships. For the Bachelor of Nursing (Graduate Entry) we are now full with our intake for January 2022 but with our 3 year Bachelor of Nursing program there are still places available for March 2022. There are also some slots available for registered Enrolled Nurses who have completed their VET Diploma. We encourage you to apply!

As you will know we offered greater flexibility this year with students who were struggling to obtain and official English score but who wanted to lock in their place with Western.

It is critically important for you to remind your students that they will need to submit an official IELTS or PTE Academic score soon to confirm their place if they haven't done so already.

## Please note the deadline dates for the official test scores below:

Bachelor of Nursing (Graduate Entry) - official score must be submitted by 1 December 2021

Bachelor of Nursing – official score must be submitted by 31 December 2021

#### REMINDER ON WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY ENGLISH RECOGNITIONS DURING COVID

With many English testing centres currently closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Western Sydney University is temporarily extending the time validity for existing approved official IELTS, PTE or TOEFL IBT

English test scores to 3 years instead of 2 years before the intended intake commencement for programs requiring IELTS 6.5 or equivalent.

Changes have also been made to our list of approved English tests. Western will temporarily accept the following alternative English tests for programs requiring IELTS 6.5 or equivalent.

- \* IELTS Indicator Test
- \* TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition test
- \* Duolingo (to be considered on a case by case basis)
- \* PTE Online

The temporary arrangement applies to the following intakes:

- \*Quarter Four Session 20 September 2021
- \*Summer Session (Session 3) 29 November 2021
- \*Quarter One Session 10 January 2022
- \*Autumn Session 7 March 2022
- \*Quarter Two Session 4 April 2022

If you defer your offer to an intake other than listed above, you will be required to submit another English test from the approved English language entry requirements list.

It is important to note that temporary arrangements do not apply to programs that require an IELTS overall score of 7.0 or equivalent.

For our Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Nursing (Graduate Entry) students who are subject to compulsory IELTS, TOEFL IBT or PTE Academic test scores it will be important for all of them to ensure they have IELTS 4 x 7.0, PTE Academic 4 x 65, TOEFL IBT Total score 94 overall, with Speaking 23, Listening 24, Reading 24 and Writing 27 prior to commencement. Only a two year validity is accepted for these applicants as per the guidelines from the accrediting bodies.

For those students onshore here in Sydney, test bookings can be made at our IELTS and Pearson testing facility at Olympic Park and other centres. Please visit these websites to make your booking: –

<u>Pearson PTE Academic</u>

<u>IELTS</u>

We encourage all students to book early as test spots will fill quickly. Currently there is good availability for November.

#### **COE DEPOSITS - REMINDER FOR STUDENTS TO FINALISE THEIR FEES**

We have a number of your students who have a COE based on a \$5,000 deposit only. Please ensure that students who have locked in their place with Western Sydney University make full payment of their course fee. Deadlines are below:

- Session 3 2021 balance of fees are due now
- Quarter 1 (PG Business)/BNGE 2022 balance of fees are due 1 December 2021
- Semester 1 2022 balance of fees are due 1 February 2022

If your student fails to make payment they may forfeit their place in the course.

As you will be aware Western Sydney University has been moving much of its brochure information to the online format and part of this move includes our <u>online student guide brochure</u>.

Please have a look through the link and share it with your enquirers for Western.

We encourage you to click on the subject area listings on page 8 and click on the popular courses link to find out more about each course.



## https://westernsydney.therack.live/courseguide

There are a number of additional pdf promotional materials located on our international website including:

- Short Western overview guide
- Scholarship information
- •Fee schedules

Please ensure you look through the above, but also note we have specific webpage resources for you on our <u>website</u>.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS 2023**

Along with our international fee freeze at Western Sydney University for 2022 we are excited to announce that our international scholarship program has also been extended for new commencing students for 2023 intakes.

Many institutions across Australia are increasing their International fees for 2022. Western Sydney University is committed to offering great value for its international student body and will not be increasing fees in 2022. This is a great result for your students.

International Fee Schedules are great summaries of our courses available for your students and can be found on the below links.

- Undergraduate Course Fees 2022
- Postgraduate Course Fees 2022

The information on our generous international scholarship program is all contained in the following links:

- <u>Undergraduate International Scholarships</u> \$3k/\$6K multi-year
- Postgraduate International Scholarships \$3k/\$6K multi-year
- The Vice-Chancellor Excellence Scholarships 50% multi-year

Please note we ask your offer holders to sign and accept their scholarship offer and we also provide an information Q and A session three times a week for any of your students to join and ask questions about their scholarship offer.

## Scholarships Q&A Sessions

**Topic:** Scholarship + Sponsored students FAQs and Q&As session

Days: Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday

**Time:** 1pm (Sydney Time) Please click the link below to join the webinar:

https://uws.zoom.us/j/87931067857

## STUDYLINK COMMISSIONS AGENT PORTAL

Western Sydney International is committed to continuous improvement of its processes and one of the newest changes is the overhaul of our commissions system to streamline our payments to you.

Responding to your feedback we have now commenced the commission payment system through the Studylink portal, fast-tracking your full single commission payment in one easy process.

We are pleased to advise that as of Thursday, 7 October 2021, Spring Session 2021 (July Semester 2, 2021) agent commission payments are now being made via the StudyLink Commissions Agent Portal <a href="https://partner.studylink.com/">https://partner.studylink.com/</a>.

Your nominated Finance User will have received an email advising them that your commissions are now ready for review in StudyLink.

Commission payments via StudyLink will only apply to students who have been recruited to the University from Spring Session (July) 2021. Please follow the instructions below:

- 1. Regardless of whether you have already submitted an invoice to the University for students recruited for Spring Session 2021, you will need to log in to StudyLink to review your commission record for students recruited for Spring Session (July) 2021. **Please note:** there is no need to approve payments they will be automatically approved at the end of the 14 day review period.
- 2. Please continue to submit invoices for students recruited in intakes prior to Spring (July) 2021 by sending them directly to <a href="wsifinance@westernsydney.edu.au">wsifinance@westernsydney.edu.au</a>. Detailed instructions are available in the <a href="mailto:StudyLink Connect">StudyLink Connect</a> Commissions User Manual.

Further information can be found on the Western Sydney International agent website.

If you experience any technical difficulties, please lodge a request for assistance through the support link in the Partner Portal or email StudyLink: <a href="mailto:support@studylink.com">support@studylink.com</a>.

Please get in touch with your Regional Manager if you have any questions about any of the above.

Kind Regards,

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