

Facilities and services



Day-to-day necessities

- banking facilities including three ATMs
- a Co-op bookshop and Next Read Second Hand Bookshop
- a Prayer Room (massolah) with facilities for both men and women
- a non-denominational community church
- three on-campus childcare facilities – Banksia, Gumnut and Mia-Mia

Wellbeing

- dentist
- doctor
- the Macquarie University Sport & Aquatic Centre with two heated swimming pools (discounted student membership available)
- chiropractor
- pharmacy
- hospital (opening in 2010)
- free and confidential counselling and welfare service
- the Macquarie University sports fields, including Australian football, cricket, rugby, soccer, hockey, touch football and Ultimate Frisbee fields

Lifestyle

- STA Travel Agency and Campus Travel
- two hotels
- art gallery and museums
- sculpture park
- theatre
- diverse range of food and drink options, including cafés, restaurants and coffee carts, which offer local and international cuisines with indoor and outdoor dining areas

Learning

- more than 20 lecture theatres
- more than 340 classrooms
- more than 300 laboratories
- an observatory
- a greenhouse
- research park

Shop at the Macquarie Centre

Macquarie Centre, a major shopping centre, is located only five minutes walk from Macquarie University. It has over 220 speciality shops, including two major supermarkets that are open seven days a week. There are also clothing stores, take-away food outlets, cafes, music stores, photo labs, department stores, a multicinema movie complex (16 theatres) and even an ice skating rink!

www.macquariecentre.com.au

International Student Services

The staff at International Student Services (ISS) provide comprehensive support for all international students. ISS can help you with almost any enquiry – visa information, health cover, fees, social activities, study skills referrals and personal welfare.

All international students have access to advice from an ISS adviser, and the opportunity to participate in a Buddy program with local Macquarie students. Buddies help new students discover Macquarie's facilities and services during arrival, orientation and beyond.

You can visit the Macquarie International Front Desk to make an enquiry with our staff during normal business hours, and you will have the email contact details of your ISS Adviser. ISS also have a 24-hour emergency number for enrolled international students, which is given to students during the orientation period.

ISS provide a comprehensive orientation program for all international students at the beginning of each semester, and organise social events throughout the year.

The Macquarie International Social Club, 'iClub', is also facilitated by ISS, with the assistance of student volunteers. iClub hosts regular social and cultural events for international students, from movie nights to multicultural cuisine events and 'Amazing Race' on- and off-campus challenges.

www.international.mq.edu.au/studentsservices

Parents Group

The Macquarie International Parents Group is a support network designed for international students and their children. Parents Group sessions are run on a monthly basis by International Student Services (ISS), and are free for all to join.

Macquarie University Postgraduate Representative Association

All enrolled postgraduate students have access to MUPRA, the Macquarie University Postgraduate Representative Association. MUPRA functions as a representative association on many levels, from individual student grievances involving academic, administrative or other matters, to issues that affect the wider postgraduate body.

www.mq.edu.au/mupra/

Study skills programs

All international students have access to support programs in computer skills, academic writing, desktop publishing, library research skills and many other areas. A Study Skills Coordinator also provides individual consultations and study skills workshops. For more information about study support, visit

www.international.mq.edu.au/studentsservices/studysupport/adviser



Viridiana Gonzalez
Mexico
Marketing



"The campus here is beautiful. There are lots of nice places to read and relax while you study. Being away from the city means you are really able to concentrate while on campus, without distractions. The number and quality of electronic databases is also excellent. The online library meant I could access these databases 24 hours a day and complete my research at home."

Library services

The Macquarie University library provides access to over 250 databases; 130,000 e-books; more than 67,000 electronic journals; books, printed resources, multimedia via the catalogue and links to services, training and research help. Other services include photocopying and printing, a Learning Lounge, wireless internet, group study rooms, a multimedia room, a presentation practice room and a postgraduate reading room.

Library staff can also provide help with finding resources for your assignments, searching online databases, using the internet effectively and getting to know the library.

The library's resources can be accessed online from anywhere in the world.

In 2010 Macquarie University will be opening a new library. See page 3 for information.

 www.library.mq.edu.au



An outdoor pool at the
Macquarie University
Sport & Aquatic Centre

Macquarie University is committed to providing you with an enjoyable and enriching experience. We have a dedicated support services team for international students, and our beautiful campus environment is the perfect location to study, work and live, with everything you need right on campus, or nearby.

Did you know?

Macquarie's International Student Services (ISS) run excursions and events throughout the year, from dinners and formal functions through to sand boarding and dolphin spotting.

 www.international.mq.edu.au/studentservices

Campus life

With one of the most culturally diverse student populations in Australia¹, Macquarie University's campus is a safe, welcoming and friendly environment for international students.

Get involved with University student services

Macquarie University provides excellent student and staff support services. There are places to engage, eat, drink, shop and be entertained, as well as comprehensive sporting facilities.

If you're on a budget, we can help. As a Macquarie student you are automatically given access to a whole host of generous discounts and benefits both on and off campus.

By simply showing your student card, you will receive discounts at various food, drink and retail outlets on campus. Visit the website below for a complete listing of outlets, offerings and discounts.

www.uatmq.com.au

Join a student club

Macquarie has over 80 clubs and societies; joining one is a great way for you to meet new people on campus and develop special interests and skills from leadership to group collaboration.

There are societies representing study areas (for example Law, Actuarial Studies, Geoscience, Chiropractic and Psychology), all major religions, and special interests (such as drama, debating and bushwalking). Almost every major nationality on campus has its own club, including Indonesian, Afghan, Turkish, Korean, Greek, Iranian and Japanese, to name a few. There are also political and social change societies including the United Nations Society, the Oaktree Society and the Red Cross Society.

Keep active

You will be spoilt for choice of fun and physical activities on campus. The Macquarie University Sport & Aquatic Centre caters for everyone – heated swimming pools, a gymnasium, cycle, group fitness and lifestyle studios, squash courts and recreation courts are just some of the facilities on offer. Discounted membership to the Macquarie University Sport & Aquatic Centre is available for students.

You can join team sports such as badminton, rugby, soccer and basketball; hit the slopes with the ski club; get out on the water with the rowing club; take to the hills with the bushwalking club; or get involved with the fast-paced and physical Ultimate Frisbee.

You can also participate in various recreation activities such as snow skiing, surfing, and scuba diving. In addition, a fantastic short course program gives you the chance to experience new activities and see new areas of Australia.

www.uatmq.com.au/active

Safety on campus

Macquarie University is a safe and welcoming place to study, however student safety and wellbeing is still one of our top priorities. We provide advice and support on personal safety and security both before you arrive here and during your studies.

As part of your orientation you will receive information on how to ensure your personal safety, as well as details on our 24-hour security service and a 24-hour emergency contact which is available for all international students.

We have help points available across campus, which have a direct line to our security service.

Members of staff from the International Student Service (ISS) are also available to advise on personal safety, should you require more help and support.

More information about personal safety for prospective students and parents can be found at

www.international.mq.edu.au/student-services/futurestudents



Paloma Palacios
Mexico



Communication Disorders

"Macquarie has given me a balanced life. Being here is not just about learning. It's about the whole experience, leaving home, adapting to a new lifestyle, new cultures and new people. The best part of being here is the incredible friends I have made."

¹ Good Universities Guide, 2009

I Club is a great way to meet new friends from across the University



Student groups represent many different cultures on campus



Our campus comes alive with entertainment in the central courtyard



Macquarie International hosts a monthly Parent's Group (see page 38)



Enjoy snacks at the Macquarie University Sport & Aquatic Centre Cafe



Accommodation

We have a dedicated accommodation service which can give you information on your accommodation options.

Airport reception

You can book a representative from Macquarie's Accommodation Services to pick you up from either the Sydney International or Domestic Airport and take you to your pre-arranged accommodation. This free service is available to all international full-degree students who book at least seven days in advance.

Temporary accommodation

We can help you organise your initial temporary accommodation so that you have somewhere to stay when you first arrive if your long-term accommodation is not ready, or if you want to find accommodation after you arrive. It is essential that you organise this before you leave home.



Residential Colleges

The two residential colleges are located right on campus and close to the Macquarie Centre shops and cinemas. They have a great community atmosphere, with local Australian and international students sharing a lively social life, common room and dining facilities.

	Dunmore Lang College	Robert Menzies College
Distance to campus	Located on campus – three-minute walk to class, railway station, bus and major shopping centre.	Located on campus – three-minute walk to class, railway station, bus and major shopping centre.
Room	Fully furnished. Choice of three room types with internet and phone connections.	Fully furnished, single rooms with window seat, and internet and phone connections.
Bathroom	Ensuite or shared available.	Single-sex shared bathrooms.
Meals	20 meals per week.	All meals included.
Features	Unlimited internet; automatic membership at Macquarie University Sport & Aquatic Centre; academic tutoring and pastoral care; vibrant social calendar; chiropractic and music rooms; TV (cable) and common-room area; computer lab; on-site laundries and kitchens, college library.	Academic assistance program and pastoral care; beach volleyball and basketball courts; free local phone calls; internet allowance; common room, music room, TV room with cable; college library; Chapel; laundry; car park; member kitchen; barbecue; courtyard; secured grounds; chiropractic table; computer lab with printers; table tennis, billiard and foosball tables.
Number of apartments		
Number of beds		
General costs per week	Approximately AU\$378 – \$490	Approximately AU\$325 – \$374
How to apply	www.dunmorelangcollege.nsw.edu.au	www.rmc.org.au

University accommodation

Long-term campus accommodation can be booked before you arrive in Sydney, or once you arrive. Please see the table below for information about the options. All university accommodation complexes have an onsite resident adviser, who oversees the logistics, arrival, departure and pastoral care of students.

Students with families

Macquarie University's Accommodation Services have a range of two and three bedroom apartments available for families. For further information, please contact the Accommodation Office via email at [✉ housing@io.mq.edu.au](mailto:housing@io.mq.edu.au)

Private accommodation

We advise you to view any potential private accommodation before you to agree to move in, to ensure that the location is suitable and the accommodation is appropriate for your needs.

More information

For further information on specific types of accommodation, how to apply or to book your airport reception online, visit www.international.mq.edu.au/accommodation

See our virtual 360 degree accommodation tour www.international.mq.edu.au/accommodation/virtualtour








Macquarie Apartments

A Macquarie apartment allows you more flexibility than living in a college. Each apartment is usually shared by two – four students.



Macquarie University Village

Focused on providing you with the total university experience, the Village offers plenty of activities to keep you entertained, informed and healthy.

Balaclava Apartments	Herring Road Apartments	Macquarie Parklands	Macquarie University Village
Five – ten minutes walk.	Located on campus – three-minute walk to class, railway station, bus and major shopping centre.	Five – ten minutes walk.	Five – ten minutes walk.
			
Fully furnished; full kitchen and laundry. Shared facilities include tennis courts, swimming pool and barbecue area.	Fully furnished; full kitchen and laundry.	Fully furnished; full kitchen, including a dishwasher, and an internal laundry.	Five-bedroom, fully-furnished townhouses; ensuite bathroom, individual telephone line and high-speed internet connection (additional telephone and internet charges apply).
45	23	23	
168	109	92	
Approximately AU\$130 – \$240	Approximately AU\$180 – \$200	Approximately AU\$150 – \$200	Approximately AU\$176 – \$208

www.international.mq.edu.au/accommodation/how-to-apply

www.macquarieuv.com.au