St John’s College

Your home on campus

ST JOHN’S COLLEGE

within the University of Sydney
Welcome to St John’s College

We are an academic community founded in the tradition of Catholic commitment to university education, and we offer a supportive environment for students who are committed to their studies and enjoy sharing experiences in a collegial environment.

Living in a community such as ours has its challenges. Being considerate of others is a necessity, and hopefully becomes a habit. Time management skills are at a premium, as you structure your days and weeks to accommodate a range of demands on your attention. The capacity to look beyond the immediate experience to longer term goals is something we would like you to cultivate.

Overall we hope that you will use your time at College to consider carefully what it is that is important in your life, to make decisions about values and priorities, and make commitments that will help you live according to those decisions.

The university experience is an invitation to embark on a journey, in which your growth as a person is connected with your learning in knowledge-based disciplines. The idea that these two things are intrinsically connected has grounded the survival and flourishing of the university as an institutional form since medieval times.

College provides an opportunity to live out the ideals of university education in the fullest way. In origin, the forms of both college and university came into existence under the patronage of the Church, and acknowledged God as both the source and end of learning. At this College we invite you to situate your study, as well as daily life in community, within the context of God’s presence in the world.

I trust you will make the most of your time here.
Life at St John’s includes a wide variety of benefits. Essentials such as three daily meals, cleaning and wifi are provided along with our comprehensive tutorial program, 24 hour onsite pastoral care and access to the Sydney University Sport & Fitness facilities.

The vibrant St John’s College community offers outstanding services and facilities. Residential fees include:

- A minimum size king single bed, desk and chair and comes with either an en-suite bathroom or a shared bathroom on the corridor
- Academic support with a comprehensive Tutorial Program
- 24 hour onsite pastoral care
- Three meals a day, seven days a week
- Inclusion in special College events, such as the University Honours Dinner and Archbishop’s Dinner and Formal Dinner on Monday evenings
- College jersey and academic gown
- Unlimited wifi throughout the College
- Weekly room cleaning
- Opportunity to participate and compete in intercollege sporting and cultural programs
- Membership of the University of Sydney Union and Sydney University Sport and Fitness
- Chapel;
- Onsite sporting facilities including gym, tennis court and oval
- Onsite laundry facility
Focusing on your studies

At St John’s College we are dedicated to supporting you to achieve your academic best.

Peer-based learning opportunities, individually tailored academic guidance and our dedicated learning spaces create an environment that enables you to excel.

The St John’s College Tutorial Program is key to supporting your university studies. Tutors are drawn from residential postgraduate students, outstanding undergraduate students, members of University of Sydney staff or graduate students.

Associate Dean (Academic) oversees the Tutorial Program and monitors the academic progress of students throughout their years in College, providing them with guidance concerning their university course and career path.

Students support each other in their studies in tutorial and study groups across a number of subjects, organised within the College.

An important aspect of your academic life at College is the quality of your study space. The College is continuously improving and investing in study spaces. Numerous tutorial rooms are available across the College and the Nagle Library provide you with excellent facilities in which to study.
“There is a very strong element of caring for each other within the college community which is extremely reassuring to families when we are not close by.”
Your wellbeing is of utmost importance. The College has initiatives in place to support and guide you throughout your College life.

From your first year of university study to studying for a graduate degree, academic and personal issues can affect your wellbeing and ability to cope.

Providing you with a safe and supportive environment is one of our primary objectives. The College has a strong pastoral care network for those times when you need guidance or extra support.

Led by the Director of Student Life, our Pastoral Team includes a combination of staff and senior students ensuring there is always someone you can turn to when you need help.

Each level of the Pastoral Team has its role to play in the supportive environment at St John’s.

Sub-Deans oversee the after-hours care of students in conjunction with the Resident Assistants (RAs) and Corridor Representatives (CRs). The Sub-Deans provide emergency care if necessary, ensure the security of the College and provide back-up support for RAs if required.

RAs and CRs provide mentoring, guidance and leadership and assist the College in providing the best possible community life for its students. Each corridor has its own designated RA or CR who helps students to settle into college and university life.
Discover something more

Each student at St John’s can be involved in a range of sporting, cultural and social activities as part of their university experience.

**Intercollege Sports**

Intercollege (intercol) sports are a great way to meet new people and represent the College in sporting competitions against the other residential colleges. The Rosebowl (female) and Rawson (male) cups allow you to participate in a variety of sports including netball, swimming, rowing, hockey, cricket, rugby, tennis, athletics, soccer and basketball.

**Palladian**

The Palladian Competition is another intercollege (intercol) competition that provides opportunities for students with cultural interests to represent the College. The Palladian has different categories to showcase your talents including drama, dance, oration, debating, music and art.

**Charity Work**

The St John’s Volunteer Network, run by St John’s students, provides opportunities for students to help out in the wider community. The Volunteer Network dedicates its time and resources to assisting organisations such as St Vincent De Paul, the Teresa House Homeless Shelter and the Black Dog Institute.

**Clubs and societies**

There are a number of different clubs and societies you can join as a student of St John’s through the University of Sydney Union. With over 200 clubs to choose from, there is something to suit nearly every interest. Sydney Uni Sport and Fitness also has a wide variety of sporting clubs that you can join.
From start to finish...
Our application process

01
Complete Online Application
Visit www.stjohnscollege.com.au/apply and click Apply Now to complete the online application including payment of the application fee.

02
Arrange Confidential References
One reference must be an academic reference (senior teacher, principal etc.) and the second reference can be a personal reference (employer, sports coach, music teacher or community leader etc.).
03
Attend an Interview
If your application meets our entry requirements, you will be invited to an interview in person or on zoom.

04
Accept a Conditional Offer of Place
When you accept your Conditional Offer of Place, the College will hold your place until you have received your main round offer from the University of Sydney.

05
Commencing at College
If you meet the conditions of your Offer of Place, you will be welcomed to the St John’s community.
Apply now

Visit www.stjohnscollege.edu.au/apply to begin your online application.

If you have any questions, please contact our Registrar at registrar@stjohnscollege.edu.au or (+61) 2 9394 5000.

Book a tour

Experience the atmosphere of St John’s and meet current students on a personal College tour.

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