

## Open doors for life at the University of Tasmania Open Days

See future possibilities and get real-life insights from students and staff at the University of Tasmania Open Days, kicking off with Hobart this Sunday.

"Our Open Days are a door into higher education, but they can also change people's careers, world views and lives," University of Tasmania Executive Director, Marketing, Mrs Michelle Weir said.

"They offer the chance to explore our different campuses and find out about study options directly from our staff and students."

From Nursing to Agriculture, to Creative Arts, all study options will be showcased over two weekends in three locations: Hobart on 4 August, Launceston on 10 August and Cradle Coast on 11 August.

Each campus will host family-friendly activities, entertainment and interactive sessions. Course and scholarship advice will also be on hand.

Course advisers will be onsite to chat about study options, and graduates will give career tips and talk about their pathways in the alumni lounges.

"We put the pride of the University – our staff, students and graduates – on full display so that the public can ask the experts," Mrs Weir said.

"Families and prospective students will get a sense of what the University has to offer in terms of creativity, teaching, research and campus life."

The Sandy Bay campus will be the hub of Hobart's Open Day, with attractions extending to the CBD, including the Medical Sciences Precinct on Liverpool Street, Creative Arts on Hunter Street, the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) on Castray Esplanade, the Media School in Salamanca Place and the Hobart Apartments on the corner of Elizabeth and Melville Streets.

Shuttle buses travelling between venues will be available between 10am and 3pm on the day.

## Highlights of Hobart's Open Day will include:

- Ask-a-law expert mini-lectures (lower Sandy Bay campus):
  - 11am Associate Professor Jeremy Prichard on online crime and drugs;
  - 12pm Dr Helen Cockburn on public attitudes, violence and the criminal justice system;
  - o 1pm Dr Lisa Eckstein on gene editing and the law;
  - o 2pm Dr Jeff McGee on the Antarctic Treaty System.
- Presentation live from the Conservatorium's new home at The Hedberg (11:30am, corner Campbell and Collins streets). Associate Professor Andrew Legg will share what awaits music students from Semester 1, 2020.
- Take a virtual reality tour of Tasmania's kelp forests (all day, IMAS, Castray Esplanade). Dive into Tasmania's beautiful East Coast with virtual reality and learn what is being done about the invasive sea urchins.
- Immersive 360 video bringing distance learning to anywhere (all day, ground floor, Centenary Building, Sandy Bay campus). University College is harnessing technology to include distance learners in field trips.
- Get hands-on with household chemistry (all day, Sandy Bay campus).
   Create slime, conduct cabbage chromatography and learn how the humble expresso machine can extract plant compounds for future pharmaceuticals.
- Medical emergency training (all day, Medical Science Precinct). Learn about brain anatomy from a larger-than-life thinking organ at the Wicking Dementia Centre and check out the training ambulance.

Visitors who pre-register online for Open Day go into the draw to win a \$5,000 Tasmanian adventure and get a complimentary gift pack on the day. Terms and conditions apply. View the full program at <a href="https://www.utas.edu.au/open-day">https://www.utas.edu.au/open-day</a>

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