Welcome

Welcome to all our new International students on campus as well as our returning students. We hope you enjoy this newsletter edition which gives lots of information about events and activities planned over the coming weeks not just on campus but around Ballarat. The International Student Support office is located in the Albert Coates building, above the hub in U117.

Our door is always open - so call in if you have any problems or just want to say hi!

We hope you enjoy your FedUni experience in 2015!

Kate & Bek
International Student Support team

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What’s going on this month

(Important dates)
20th July - Midyear Orientation
27th - 31st July - Dis-O Week
27th July - Lectures begin
31st August - Census Date

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After the exam: results, grade appeals & important letters

Exams are over and we hope that you are all happy with your results! But what next? What happens if you can’t see your results? What do your grades mean? What is academic progress and who do you see if you receive a restricted enrolment or exclusion letter? These are common questions that students have after exams. The most important thing to know at this time is that there is support and information available to you but there are very strict timelines so do not delay asking for help.

CHECK OUT PAGE 3 OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR MORE TIPS

If you require further support and information do not hesitate to contact Kylie or Liz:
Student Advisory Service
Email: studentadviser@federation.edu.au
Phone: 5327 6105
Location: U113—Above the Hub, near the Bookshop
Accessing your official results:

You should have your results by now. All official student results were posted on My Student Centre on the 10th July. If you are not sure how to access your official grades, contact International Student Support (Kate and Rebekah), the Student Advisory Service or your Faculty. If you owe money to the University you will not be able to view your grades. We will be able to show you but you will need to come into the Advisory Service or the International Office.

Final Grade Appeal:

Under some circumstances, you can appeal the Final Grade of your course (see Regulation 5.3 (pdf, 16kb)). To do this you need to submit a Final Grade Appeal to the Executive Dean of your Faculty within 10 working days of the official publication of your grade. The Student Advisory Service has a template letter to assist you set out your appeal: Appeal Final Grade - Federation University Australia. You can make an appointment with the Advisory Service to discuss your appeal. Don’t delay, timelines apply - all final grade appeals for this Semester must be in by 5 PM on Friday 24th of July.

Unsatisfactory Academic Progress:

In most cases unsatisfactory progress occurs where a student:

- Fails in 50% or more of the courses in which they are enrolled in any semester.
- Fails any course for the second time

As an International student, under Australian law the University is obliged to track your progress and make sure that you are successfully completing your studies. If there are signs that you are not doing so well you will receive a letter or email (usually both) warning you that your performance is unsatisfactory and asking you to meet with your Program Coordinator. If you do not maintain satisfactory progress both your place in the Program and your student visa will be at risk so it is extremely important that you follow up and go to the meeting as it is designed to help you get back on track with your studies. At the meeting your Program Coordinator may discuss general ways in which to improve your academic performance or they may suggest a restricted enrolment; this means that you will be studying less courses in the following semester. The Advisory Service can discuss your options with you and also attend meetings with you.

Exclusion

If the measures taken following your warning of unsatisfactory progress haven’t been successful and you have failed some courses, you will receive a letter warning you that you will be excluded. DO NOT IGNORE THIS LETTER; YOUR PLACE AND YOUR STUDENT VISA ARE AT RISK.

You may have grounds to appeal the exclusion but you will have to act fast as strict timelines apply. You have 20 working days to appeal the exclusion. The Student Advisory Service has a template letter to assist you in writing your appeal: Exclusion - show cause letter Contact the Student Advisory Service for help – don’t delay, timelines apply.
MULTICULTURAL DINNER
Friday 31st July
6-9PM - BALLARAT REGIONAL MULTICULTURAL CENTRE
(BRMC) - 102 ENGLISH STREET, GOLDEN POINT
Please bring a plate of food to share - family & friends are welcome
TRANSPORT PROVIDED TO GET YOU HOME!
REGISTER YOUR INTEREST VIA: emailing international.ss@federation.edu.au
Events happening in Semester 2

**MOVIE AFTERNOON**
August 5th, 2015 - 2PM

*SOMETHING LIFE LEADS YOU TO WHERE YOU NEED TO BE*

RED DOG
*Based on a true story*

Further details to be released closer to date.

**GLOBAL BALL PROGRAM**

ATTENTION GLOBALLER’S AND AMBASSADORS
FOOTY’S BACK
FREE TICKETS

DATE: SUNDAY
AUGUST 2ND, 2015
ETIHAD @ 9:20PM

DATE: SATURDAY
AUGUST 15TH, 2015
ETIHAD @ 1:45PM
REGISTRATION: HTTP://GLOBAL.BALL.AU

TICKETS GOING FAST
DON’T MISS OUT!
REGISTER FOR YOUR TICKET NOW

**FAMILY AFTERNOON**
FRIDAY AUGUST 7TH
From 2pm until 5pm
FUNBUGS PLAYCENTRE
903 Devoteen St W, Ballarat
Register: Drop into the International Student Support Office (U117) or email your interest: international.ss@federation.edu.au

For all international students with young children - we invite you to join us for a coffee and for the kids to have a play.
Cost - FREE

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INTERESTED IN FREE MOVIE TICKETS OR GIFT VOUCHERS??

Careers and Employment needs your help!

We are looking for students to become involved in focus groups to gain your ideas and thoughts on what YOU, the students, need to transition into professional employment.

Nicole Phillips has joined our team to create a transition to work, online learning program for YOU! The main focus of this program is what students require when they are looking to transition from university into employment. We are looking for students to:

• Give us ideas on what information you think you require in regards to employment
  • Test the modules and provide us with feedback
  • Attend 2 focus group sessions and share ideas
  • Be rewarded with movie tickets or gift vouchers

If you are interested in joining us on this exciting project, or for further information, please send us an email stating your interest to studentcareerhub@federation.edu.au.