FedUni Living Ballarat Residences Tour Transcripts

Chinese video’s with English subtitles

Part One: Introducing Cheng Li

Hello, I’m Cheng Li. I come from Shenzhen, China. I have been at FedUni for half a year. My major is marketing. When I was in China, I decided to live on Res because I wanted to have experiences that are different to that of China and living on Res can provide these to me. I gained many benefits like making new friends, having meals during the academic week and short walks to class. Now I want to introduce our Res to you and show you what is special on Res.

Part Two: Peter Lalor Hall, Mt Helen

Hello, everyone. I’m Cheng Li. We are at Peter Lalor South, one of the residences of Federation University. Do you want to know what the residence looks like? What are the benefits of being a resident? Let’s go and find out. Every resident will have a swipe card. We can simply swipe it then we can come in. There are six rooms on the ground floor, which are single-bed rooms. Let’s go and see the kitchen. This unit has two storeys. Here is the second floor. This is our shared-kitchen, including TV and dining table. Often, residents are international, so the cuisines are multinational. If residents cook and eat together, they can taste different dishes. Res provides an induction cooker, oven, microwave, kettle and toaster. Therefore, students from China have no need to worry about the boiled water. There are many cupboards for all the residents. Residents can put their own food in them. Residential advisors in each unit would stick your name on the board, and this cupboard would be your own. There is a fridge in each unit. This is a single-door fridge, but often it is a double-door fridge. It is enough for twelve residents to use. We are on the second floor of the unit. Come and see the toilet, which is separated. No need to worry if someone was taking a shower and we couldn’t go to the toilet. There are many residents on the same floor, so the unit provides two sinks in case of the peak hour in the morning. In addition, the shower area is big, and does not occupy the whole bathroom. We are going to look at what a single-bed room looks like. Use the swipe card to open the door. This is the standard single-bed room, including a single bed, a wardrobe, a desk, a chair and a lamp. We have no need to buy them after we have arrived. This is the door between two units, which is always open. Residents in these two units can go through freely. Living in here we can know and make friends with more than twenty residents. Here is the middle area of Peter Lalor South, a BBQ area. There are tables, chairs and BBQ grills. Residents in PLS could have a BBQ or an afternoon tea together in their spare time. What are these two girls doing? HI~ We are located at Peter Lalor North. The accommodation in this hall are houses. We are going to unit 15 to see what it looks like. There are six rooms on the first floor and second floor, twelve rooms in total. Here is the kitchen. Same as the kitchen before. The fridge is big. If you are not good at cooking, Peter Lalor Hall is a good choice for you. Res provides four dinners from Monday to Thursday. No need to cook after a tiring study day. We can bring our swipe card to the dining area and have dinner. These are buffets, including meat and vegetables, salad, drinks and desserts. Students can eat as much as possible. If we can't come back at dinner time or we are not hungry, we can take away the meal and keep it in the fridge for the next day.

Part Three: Bella Guerin, Mt Helen

We are located in Bella Guerin. We call it BG for short. As we can see, this area is colourful. Let’s go and have a look. In this kitchen, there is a double-door fridge, which is enough for twelve students to use. Students in this hall do not have dinner provided, so they need to cook for themselves here. There are cooking ranges and an oven. They can cook together and have here. BG and PL are the...
closest halls to campus. If you don't like getting up early, these two halls are the best choices for you. It only takes us about five minutes to get to campus. We don't need to worry if we get up late. We can just walk along the path or the bridge over there and we can arrive at class easily. When we only have one hour between classes, we can still come back and cook if we want and then we can go back to classes. Sometimes we have one hour gap in the morning, we can even come back and nap a while. You still have time.

Part Four: Jemacra Place, Ballarat

When you see this IGA logo, you need to ring and get off the bus. There is no broadcaster on the bus, so we need to observe the view beside the road. Only 500 metres to another hall called Jemacra Place, which is really close. If residents do not want to cook, they can come here and have a quick meal in these restaurants. A pharmacy, a post office and a supermarket are located at this area, so residents can buy their daily needs here. It is really convenient. The house behind me is one of the houses of Jemacra Place. The outlook is similar to a general house. Come on in! There are five or six bedrooms in each house, with two shared toilets, one shared kitchen, and one living room. Actually, no matter which hall it is, there is a cleaner to clean the shared area from Monday to Friday. Take the toilet tissue as an example; we don't need to be worried about if the tissue would run out someday. They would guarantee these in the shared area. This is the living room of the house. As we can see, the space of the dining area, kitchen and the sofa area is much bigger, like a villa in China.

Part Five: Elsworth Street, Ballarat

Here is another hall called Elsworth Street. Opposite the hall is the Ballarat popular sight-seeing area - Sovereign Hill Gold Mine. Let's enter the hall and have a look. This is one of the living rooms in Elsworth Street. Studio, two, three and four bedroom units are provided in this hall. We can choose one of the options when we apply for the accommodation online. This room has two bedrooms and a shared kitchen. The feeling is similar to the small home in China, which is warm and sweet.

Part Six: Camp Street, Ballarat

The location of class for art students is in the Ballarat city. In order to provide convenience to students, there is a hall in the heart of the city centre, which is Camp Street. We are on one of the floors at Camp Street. The rooms behind me are the studios in Camp Street. Let's go and look at one of the studios. There is a small kitchen and a private toilet, like a hotel room.

Part Seven: UniSports Pool & Gym, Ballarat

This is our swimming pool at UniSports. There are eight lanes and each lane is about two metres wide; separated by different speed, like slow, medium and fast so that people could choose their lane and would not bother others because of the speed. In the pool, the shallowest area is 1.2 metres and the deepest area is 2 metres. The length is 25 metres. There is a photo on the swipe card. When we want to swim, we can change our clothes in the changing room and show our card to the lifeguards. They would know we are the residents on Res and we can swim for free. The opening hours of the pool can be checked online. Usually the opening hours are from 6am to 8pm or 9pm, so we have plenty of time to swim here. Coming down from the stairs, there is a gym. We can swipe the card and get into the gym. The equipment is free for residents to use.

Part Eight: Living Learning Centre (LLC), Mt Helen
Here is Living Learning Centre, LLC for short, which is the study area. There are computers for study. If you need to print something, there are two printers. This area is for residents only. You can swipe your card and get in. There is also a screen for presentation practice and assignment discussion. LLC is 24/7 and you can come to study at 1am when you can’t fall asleep. The other side of LLC is an entertainment area. There is a billiard table. Residents can feel free to use this equipment. Residents can BYO and cook here. There is multimedia equipment, including sofa, TV and loudspeaker box. Residents can watch live telecast here. You can also watch movies together, if you connect your computer and TV screen. We can share with others. Here is a study room. Come on in. This space is big enough for about seven people. If we do not want to bother others in the library, we can come here to discuss assignments. It could benefit residents’ study.

**Part Nine: Ballarat Train Station**

This is the Railway Station in Ballarat, located in the busy area of the city. We can take the train to the CBD in Melbourne and take the shuttle bus to Melbourne Airport. Trains depart on time. The train to Melbourne is one hour on average. We don’t need to book the train. We only need to make sure of the departure time on the timetable, arrive before the train, swipe the Myki card and board the train.

**Part Ten: Why Live On Residence**

FedUniLiving guarantees accommodation for the first year students. It also offers the scholarship for commencing International students; visit the website for current details. Living on Res has many benefits. First, there is a transition program to help students ‘settle in’, reducing the culture shock from the beginning. Second, many students will live on Res as well, so we can make friends from around the world. Third, 24/7 access to residential support, guaranteeing safety for residents. There are many trips and events for residents like the snow trip and basketball competition. Residents can join in and have more special experiences while they are in Australia. There are no hidden costs with bills included in rent or potential argument about money with housemates. Residences are located on, or close to, campus, providing a wonderful place to live and study. A bed, a wardrobe, a table, a chair and a lamp is provided in each room. FedUniLiving can also provide bedding articles, including pillow, bed sheet, mattress. Residents can book them online if they need. Most of the doors use swipe card to open. If you are locked out, you can call RA for help. When something does not work, you can use the FedUniLiving system to report. Someone will come and fix it. Every resident can participate in activities such as footy and netball. No need to worry if you do not know how to play, you can learn to play or support your friends. That is all I want to introduce to you. If you have any further questions, you can email FedUniLiving or visit the website to find out more. Thanks for watching.