



FLINDERS LIVING

University Hall
Deirdre Jordan Village

SEMESTER 1, 2021 ADMISSIONS Information Sheet – Thursday, 4 February, 2021

This is the second of our Admissions Information Sheets for the 2021 Academic Year.

If you applied or were offered accommodation after we released Admissions Information Sheet 1 on 21 January, 2021 you can find it online on the “Before You Arrive” page:

<https://www.flinders.edu.au/living/before-you-arrive>

or at the following URL:

<https://www.flinders.edu.au/content/dam/documents/campus/bedford-park/flinders-living/S1-2021-Admissions-Information-Sheet-1.pdf>

Please take a moment to read through this Information Sheet which contains useful information about your admission, what you should do if you no longer need your accommodation, some key policies and procedures, activities and events and more.

Cancelling your accommodation

SATAC released the major round of academic offers on 15 January, 2021 with further rounds released on 28 January, 2021 and 2 February, 2021. If you were not offered an academic place at Flinders University and no longer require accommodation you must let us know. The following extract from your Accommodation Agreement outlines the timelines:

Cancellation

If after accepting a residential place, a prospective Resident cancels that place, the prospective Resident is entitled to:

- a full refund of the Advance Fees if cancelled in writing **at least fourteen (14) days before** the commencement of the Term;
- a 50% refund of the Advance Fees if cancelled in writing less than fourteen (14) days before the commencement of Term.

If after accepting a residential place, a prospective Resident cancels that place after the commencement of Term but before their arrival, the prospective resident is subject to Section 5 of this Agreement.

Commencement of Term is Saturday, 20 February, 2021.

The quickest and most efficient way to let us know is to send an email to Gary Shaw, Manager, Residential Services at flinders.living@flinders.edu.au.

Re-capping Information in Admissions Information Sheet 1

We'd ask that you go back and review the information on the following topics:

- Full-time enrolment status.
- Where should I go when I arrive?
- Orientation Week 2021.

- Move-In Weekend – Please stay around.
- Guests prior to and during Orientation Week.
- Advice for parents.
- Staying in touch via Facebook®.
- What to bring.
- Let's talk a little about communities.
- Sharing information to assist us support you.
- Taking a look around.
- Electrical appliances.
- Non-university furniture.
- Linen.
- Dietary requirements.

Planning your arrival

If you are a new resident we would ask that you arrive on, or before, 3.00 p.m. on Move-In Day, Saturday, 20 February, 2021. This will ensure that you are on-campus to take full advantage of all orientation and information sessions and to meet your fellow residents for 2021.

If you need to move in earlier than this date please contact Flinders Living Administration via email at flinders.living@flinders.edu.au as soon as possible.

As our office will be closed over the weekends of Saturday 6th/Sunday 7th and Saturday 13th/Sunday 14th February, 2021 you should make these arrangements prior to close of business on the Friday before if you would like to arrive over those weekends.

Please note that the Dining Room in University Hall will not open until Monday, 15 February, 2021. Early arriving residents would be able to prepare meals/snacks in the kitchenettes located on each floor.

COVID19 Pandemic

As you would be aware there are small clusters of COVID19 that have in recent days in both Western Australia and Victoria. If these (or future) outbreaks affect your travel and arrival here at Flinders Living please be sure to make contact with us via email at flinders.living@flinders.edu.au. Leave us your name and telephone number so that we can telephone you back and discuss your individual circumstances.

Please note that should the SA Government require a person on their arrival in this state to (a) self-quarantine for 14 days or (b) isolate until they receive a negative COVID19 test, that period of self-quarantine or isolation cannot occur in either University Hall or Deirdre Jordan Village.

Any arriving resident who falls into such a category must make their own arrangements to self-quarantine or isolate off-campus before proceeding to check-in here at on-campus accommodation. Flinders Living Administration can provide the contact information of accommodation providers our students have used in the past.

Should, however, a resident who has already checked-in and later (say) displays COVID19-related symptoms or is identified as a close contact and is required to undertake a COVID19 Test, we will do our best to find a suitable venue for that resident to self-isolate pending return of their test results.

Scholarships

The Australian Government, Flinders University and some external organisations offer assistance payments or scholarships that can be of great benefit to both commencing and continuing students. We'd strongly suggest that every resident take a moment to go to the Scholarships web page (see URL below) to ascertain whether they may be eligible.

<https://students.flinders.edu.au/finances-and-admin/support/scholarships>

You'd be surprised the number of students who think that, even if they are eligible, they'd never be lucky enough to be awarded a scholarship. The adage is true however: "You have to be in it to win it!"

Search through the Scholarships Database for any that you think may be eligible. Some that may be of interest we would like to highlight are –

Closing 27 March, 2021 -

- Tertiary Access Payment

Closing 5 February, 2021 -

- Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship
- Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Top-up Scholarship

Closing 10 March, 2021 –

- Deirdre Jordan Village Rural Scholarship for Commencing Students
- Deirdre Jordan Village Rural Scholarship for Continuing Students
- Hayley Fehring Rural Scholarship for Commencing Students
- University Hall Rural Scholarship for Continuing Students
- Wyndham Richardson Scholarship Fund

Flinders Sport and Fitness – Free Membership

Research shows that physical activity can help improve academic achievement. This is why at Flinders Living all our residents can become members of Flinders Sport and Fitness for FREE. [The cost to other students is \$21 per month x 12 months = \$252 so this is a substantial benefit for all our residents.]

All you need to join is to complete a simple form (which you can collect from Flinders Living Administration), have it endorsed to state that you are a current resident and then take it to Flinders Sport and Fitness in the Alan Mitchell Building. There you will complete a brief fitness assessment, etc. and enrolled as a member.

If you will be under 18 years of age when you arrive on-campus the form also needs to be signed by a parent or guardian. We've attached a copy to this Information Sheet so you can print it out, have it signed and then bring it with you later this month.

Find out more about Flinders Sports and Fitness here -

<https://www.facebook.com/onesportandfitness>

Mental Health First Aid Skilled Workplace Program

We're delighted to share that in January 2021, Flinders Living was awarded Skilled Workplace status at the Gold Level by Mental Health First Aid Australia.

This award celebrates organisations investing in developing mental health first aid skills in their people and demonstrating a strong commitment to embedding the program into their organisation's culture.

All of Flinders Living's professional services staff together with our Residential Tutors and Coordinators are registered Mental Health First Aiders. Andrea Rohde, our Deputy Principal, retains her registration as an Accredited Mental Health Social Worker and coordinates our student welfare and support programmes.



Questions

If you have any questions please be sure to contact us either by:

- Email: flinders.living@flinders.edu.au
- Telephone: (+61 8) 7221 8900
Mondays to Fridays, 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

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