

Media alert

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Official opening of Sydney's largest student village

What: UNSW Village Grand Opening

When: Monday 22 March 5:00pm for a 5:30pm start

- Where: UNSW Village Gate 2, High Street The University of New South Wales, Kensington
- Who: Professor John Niland AC
 Chairman of Campus Living Villages
 Professor Frederick G Hilmer AO
 President and Vice-Chancellor of The University of New South Wales
 Mr David Gonski AC
 Chancellor of The University of New South Wales

On Monday, The University of New South Wales (UNSW) and accommodation partners, Campus Living Villages, will officially open Sydney's largest on-campus student residence. Mr David Gonski AC, Chancellor of UNSW, will unveil a commemorative plaque on the site, at a special function to mark the event.

The 1021-bed complex, UNSW Village, opened its doors to students on 1 January 2010 and reached 100 per cent occupancy before the start of semester one.

For Professor John Niland AC, Chair of Campus Living Villages, the opening has a special significance. As a former Vice-Chancellor and President of UNSW, he has a longstanding association with the University.

"Campus Living Villages is delighted to have worked in partnership with The University of New South Wales to develop this landmark student accommodation facility. Our expertise in sustainability, student-focused design and contemporary living, coupled with a commitment to preserve historic elements, has created a unique facility that sets a new standard in student living."

Professor Niland also added that "Campus Living Villages looks forward to welcoming the many generations of students who will call UNSW Village home."

The President and Vice-Chancellor of The University of New South Wales, Professor Frederick G Hilmer AO said, "The University is committed to providing an outstanding student experience and a vibrant campus life for our students. Our close working partnership with Campus Living Villages has allowed us to develop world-class student accommodation and welcome over a thousand more students to living on campus."

UNSW Village offers a unique residential life program to create an exciting community and encourage academic achievement, community contribution and the development of life skills.

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Information about Campus Living Villages

Campus Living Villages specialises in developing and operating purpose-built student accommodation in partnership with universities in Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States. With an established track record in creating environments where students can live, learn and grow, CLV currently owns, operates or is developing approximately 43,000 beds worldwide.

Campus Living Villages offers experience in all parts of the development and management process with in-house expertise in design, development, building, financing, sustainability and operational management.

Information about The University of New South Wales

The University of New South Wales is one of Australia's foremost research-intensive universities, consistently ranked in the world's top 50. UNSW is renowned for the quality of its graduates and its commitment to new and creative approaches to education and research. Since its establishment 60 years ago, UNSW has expanded rapidly and now has more than 44,000 students, including some 9,000 international students from more than 130 countries.

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