Message from the Master

Welcome to International House

International House opened its doors in 1968 due to the generosity and effort of local Rotary Clubs. During the past 37 years International House has been home for 3500 UNSW students from over 100 different countries. One of the principles in establishing the House was the need to promote “International Understanding” and provide opportunities for local and overseas students to exchange ideas, share their cultural heritage and expand their knowledge. Recent events remind us that the task of developing mutual trust and goodwill among people of diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds is as important today as it was when the College was first founded.

At International House we celebrate our cultural diversity by providing opportunities for residents to live together and share their rich and diverse heritage. As a resident of International House you belong to a unique “Collegiate Community” but it is only really worthwhile if you get involve and participate in the many activities that are available.

Community living particularly in a diverse College as International House can be a rewarding experience but it requires each member to be considerate and tolerant of each other. Residents should always take into account the cultural background of fellow residents before engaging in activities or making statements that could offend others. We ask residents to respect the needs of their neighbours and resolve differences through constructive dialogue.

This Handbook is designed to give you some information about the College and rules of conduct to guide you during your stay at International House. If you need any assistance please feel free to contact the office staff Monday through Friday 9am-5pm or the Senior on Duty after hours and weekends.

Sincerely,

Dr. Robert C. Lundy
Master

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Introduction

1. Vision, Mission and Values

Vision
To be recognised as an outstanding International community that prepares residents to assume valuable roles in their local and global communities.

Mission
To be an integral part of the academic process of UNSW by providing opportunities for residents to belong to a collegiate community which emphasises experiential learning, personal growth and cross-cultural understanding:

1. **Housing** - To provide accommodation & support services for undergraduate & graduate students from Australia & overseas.

2. **Collegiate Community** - Contribute to the concept of a university as a “Community of Scholars” who are concerned about the development of the total person.

3. **Experiential Learning** - To provide opportunities for residents to “learn by doing”. Through a participative management style, residents can be involved in a wide range of learning opportunities.

4. **Personal Growth** - Provide opportunities for residents to develop interpersonal and social skills which will be helpful in their future careers and life experiences.

5. **Multi-Culturalism** - Provide opportunities for residents to develop a greater appreciation of other cultures and customs.
Values
To create a college environment in which all residents are encouraged to practice the following principles:

- **Academic Success** - To assist and motivate residents to reach their full intellectual and academic potential through a supportive environment.

- **Personal Growth** - To foster the personal growth of each resident through a program of social, cultural and sporting activities.

- **Value Differences** - To understand, appreciate and respect the principles, beliefs, cultures and differences of others.

- **Commitment to a Caring Community** - To encourage mutual respect among all residents and staff.

- **Quality Through Participative Management** - To work with the staff in a participative team approach to continuously improve the quality of services and programs of the House.

- **Friendliness** - To foster the harmonious and helpful spirit of the House, enabling lasting friendships to be made.

2. Background
The International House movement began in Philadelphia during the early part of this century. Some philanthropists were concerned with the lack of interest given to overseas students who went to America to study. The organisers were of the opinion that students attended university not only to study but also to learn about the customs and culture of other countries.

The first International House opened its doors in Philadelphia in 1908, but it was years later until additional Houses were opened at New York (1924), Berkeley (1930) and Chicago (1932). In 1957, with assistance from Rotary, the movement found its way to Australia and houses were established at UNSW and the University of Sydney.

The aims of the Colleges were to provide accommodation for full-time senior undergraduate & postgraduate local and overseas students and to provide an international program of activities.
Community Life

Community living provides residents with both opportunities and responsibilities. Many of the problems that occur when people live in close proximity can be avoided if everyone follows the basic rule: **respect and tolerance towards others.**

1. **Alcohol Policy**

Alcohol may only be served at RESOC and International House sponsored events. Alcohol cannot be served at private parties, such as birthday parties without the prior approval of the Master. Residents who wish to hold a party, including in their room in which alcohol will be served must obtain approval from the Master at least three days in advance to allow adequate time to consult with the Seniors and neighbours. Due to the close proximity of living arrangements in the House it is strongly recommended that parties, particularly if alcohol is present, be held outside the College. By the term party we are referring to a gathering of individuals for the purpose of amusement or entertainment. This policy is not intended to restrict groups of residents socialising with alcohol, provided they do not create a disturbance or engage in other inappropriate behaviour.

If you consume alcohol in the College, at RESOC events or any other time, you must do so in a moderate and responsible manner. Residents who become intoxicated, who create a noise disturbance or engage in anti-social behaviour are a danger to themselves and the community and disciplinary action, include removal from the College may be required.

2. **Discrimination and Harassment**

International Houses’ values of tolerance, cross-cultural understanding and friendship are the foundation of the International House community. As a resident of International House, you are a member of the International House community. As a member of our community, residents are
accorded certain benefits and privileges. Membership of our community also carries with it
certain responsibilities and obligations. At the heart of the Colleges values is the principle of
non-discrimination. Residents are to be aware that discrimination on the basis of a person’s
race, sex, disability, religion or sexual preference is inappropriate and unacceptable conduct in
the International House community.

Racial discrimination includes inappropriate discriminatory conduct on the basis of a person
race, ethnicity or nationality. Sexual discrimination includes inappropriate discriminatory conduct
on the basis of a person’s gender. Sexual discrimination also includes sexual harassment.
Sexual harassment includes inappropriate repeated unwanted advances of fellow residents and
harassing conduct of a sexual nature. Disability discrimination includes inappropriate
discriminatory conduct on the basis of a person’s disability. Religious discrimination and
intolerance includes inappropriate discriminatory conduct on the basis of a person’s religion.
Sexual preference discrimination includes inappropriate discriminatory conduct on the basis of a
person’s sexual preference.

Residents of International House have an obligation and responsibility to be mindful of the
College’s policy of non-discrimination and to not engage in behaviour, verbal or non-verbal,
which may breach the College’s policy of non-discrimination. Breaches of the College’s policy of
non-discrimination are treated as very serious by the College and constitute inappropriate and
unacceptable conduct. Residents who engage in breaches of the Colleges policy of non-
discrimination will be subject to disciplinary action, including possible exclusion from the College.

International Houses’ policy of non-discrimination seeks to give form to and reflect the adage of
“Do unto others as you would want them to do unto you.” International Houses’ policy of non-
discrimination aspires to encourage a culture and atmosphere in the College where members of
our community feel welcome, valued and are treated with dignity. International Houses’ policy of
non-discrimination endeavors to inform our community that residents have an obligation to treat
fellow residents with respect, courtesy and tolerance at all times.

3. Noise
Residents should always refrain from behaviour likely to annoy others. Noise should always be
kept to a minimum. Between 11 pm and 8 am noise must be reduced to an absolute minimum so
that it does not in any way affect other residents. Residents who cause a noise disturbance will
be given the opportunity to explain the situation and change their future behaviour. If the problem continues they will be given a corrective action that may include removal from the College. The Residents’ Society (RESOC) will from time to time organise social events in the College that may involve more noise than what is usually acceptable. In such cases residents will be notified in advance, the events will usually be held in the Games Room to reduce noise exposure and will finish at a prearranged time, usually by midnight. Residents who wish to hold a party (including resident’s rooms) in which alcohol will be served must submit a request to the Master at least three days in advance to allow adequate time to consult with the Seniors and neighbours. It is strongly recommended that events that may involve excessive noise be held outside the College.

4. **Dress**

Although there is no dress code requirement, it is expected that residents will dress in a manner that is appropriate to the occasion. Pyjamas and bare feet are not permitted in the Dining Room or Courtyard. National attire is encouraged at special dinners and functions.

5. **Smoking**

Smoking is a serious health threat to smokers as well as non-smokers. Smoking is not permitted in the College (including bedrooms) or anywhere on the UNSW campus (except for campus designated smoking zones). There is a minimum charge of $100 to clean a smoke stained room. Smoking in the building will result in cancellation of the resident's housing and they will not be re-admitted to the College.

6. **Dangerous Substances & Pets**

Firearms, explosives, fireworks or any hazardous or dangerous substances of any kind are not permitted in the College. Violation of this policy will result in immediate cancellation of room assignment. Also pets are not permitted in the College.

7. **Damage to Facilities**

Damage to furnishings in student rooms is the responsibility of the resident. Nails, staples or adhesive tape must not be used on walls, furniture, ceilings, etc. Pictures and posters may be
affixed to the walls only with blu-tac. Bricks must not be used as door stops unless they are covered with paper or other material. It is the resident's responsibility to leave all surfaces in the condition in which they were found. Repairs beyond normal wear and tear will be charged to the resident. Damage to common facilities or special cleaning will result in a minimum charge of $100. In the case of vandalism where the individual(s) is not identified, the cost will be presented to the Residents' Society for appropriate action. Residents who damage the facilities will have their housing cancelled and they will not be re-admitted to the College.

8. Visitors
International House is private property and the management of the College reserves the right to restrict access to the premises. Any person the management of the College considers a threat to the safety of residents or detrimental to the collegiate environment may be denied access to the building including resident's rooms. Residents are responsible for the behaviour of their guests and must accompany their guests while they are in the building. Guests of residents should not be left on their own in the Computer Room or other areas of the building. Residents who invite persons to the College who have been denied access will have their housing cancelled and they will not be re-admitted to the College. Individuals who wish to visit a resident must call on the phone located outside the main entrance to the College. The host (resident) must come down to the front door to admit their guest. Residents are reminded that they only should admit their guest to the building. For security reasons, when entering or exiting the building, be certain not to admit strangers into the building.

9. Overnight Guests
Rooms at International House are for single occupancy and overnight guests should not be staying in a resident's room. During the summer vacation and mid-session break casual guests may apply for short term accommodation. Refer to the International House webpage under Short Term Stay for more information.

10. Grievance Procedure
Residents who have a grievance with another resident or staff member should, in the first instance, attempt to resolve the issue with the individual concerned within a reasonable time frame. If the situation is not resolved, the aggrieved resident should contact the Duty Senior. The Duty Senior
will endeavour to assist the parties involved to resolve the issue. If the matter is not resolved the resident should meet with the Master, who will take appropriate action to resolve the grievance. Posting notice, sending letters or threading statements is an inappropriate way to deal with a grievance. At all times tolerance and respect to others must be maintained.

11. Corrective Action
The management of International House reserve the right to enforce the rules of the College. While the decision of the Master is final, every effort will be made to follow a progressive corrective action procedure. This means that residents will be notified of any violation and given an opportunity to explain their position and to take appropriate corrective action. In the event that the problem continues, the Master may notify the resident that their accommodation at IH has been cancelled and they must vacate their room within 7 days. If a crime has been committed, IH management will immediately notify the Police. Serious violations such as, but not limited to, the following will result in immediate expulsion:

- Harassment or sexually inappropriate behaviour (refer to UNSW Equity & Diversity Unit)
- Sale or use of drugs or other illegal property or supplying liquor to a minor
- Threat (physical or verbal) to other residents and/or staff
- Damage to property of the College
- Taking or attempting to take inappropriate photos, particularly of the opposite sex
- Repeated (2 or more) incidents of intoxication or disorderly behaviour

12. Permission to be in the College
International House is private property and the management of the College reserves the right to restrict access to the College including resident’s rooms to individuals it believes may pose a threat to residents or staff, display a lack of respect for others or who may in other ways be detrimental to the community and the reputation of International House. Residents are requested not to encourage or allow persons who are restricted access to the College from entering or remaining on the premises. Failure to do this may result in disciplinary action, including removal from the College. Report any problems or concerns to the office or Senior on Duty.
Facilities

1. Offices Hours and Address

Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 9am to 10:30am and 1:30pm to 5:00pm
Non business hours contact the Duty Senior on extension 699.

Address: International House Limited
University of NSW
Sydney NSW 2052 AUSTRALIA

2. Mail and Facsimiles

Mail is delivered to the Office each weekday (except public holiday and the period between Christmas and New Year) and it is available for collection in the alphabetically arranged letter boxes about 3pm. Parcels and registered mail are kept in the Office and residents are notified to collect them. External and campus mail can be placed in the Mail Bag in the Office. They can be collected from the Duty Senior outside office hours.

Mail for ex-residents will be placed in special marked boxes. After that, if unclaimed, mail for ex-residents will be returned to the sender.

Facsimile may be sent (max of 5 pages) or collected from the Office. If contacting a fax/phone someone picks up the phone there will be charge even though the fax may not go through. The IH fax number is (61) 2 9313 6346 and the rates are as follows:

- Receiving: $0.20 per page charge
- Sending: $0.50 per page local, $1 per page STD, $2.50 per page overseas

Changes of email or permanent address must be immediately lodged with the Office.
3. Electoral Roll
International House is in the State Electoral Division of Heffron.

4. Housekeeping
International House employs three housekeeping staff and they are extremely busy cleaning the building. The bathrooms, dining room, kitchenettes and public areas are cleaned daily Monday through Friday except public holidays. The carpet is shampooed once a year and the building treated for pest on a regular basis. Vacuum cleaners are available on each floor and residents are responsible for their room.

5. Linen Service
Trash is emptied and linen issued weekly. Soiled sheets, pillowcase, towel and trash bin must be left in the hallway before 9:30am on the day listed below unless notified otherwise. Check whiteboard in the week when there is a public holiday as the schedule will change. Residents are responsible for making their own beds:

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6. Telephones and the Internet
There is a telephone and internet connection in each bed/study room. The phone is for internal use only.
You cannot make calls to the outside on the House phone.
All rooms are connected to the Local Area Network (LAN) which allows residents to connect to the Internet, the IH and UNSW networks from their own computer. To connect to the Internet and the LAN from your room, the following are needed:

- a login name and a password from the Office
- a CAT5 network cable
- a Network Card

You may alternatively connect to the WiFi hotspot the college runs. Information about connecting to this can be obtained from the office.

Please note that the system does not automatically update thus it is possible to go into debit or logon when there is no money in your account. If you need assistance in setting up your computer to the network, please contact the college Network Administrator.

Network Card & CAT5 network cable can be purchased from most of the computer stores down the road. A typical internal Network cards sell for approximately $17 ($70 for PCMCIA) whereas cables sell for approximately $5 for 2 meters (length is not an issue: the longer the cable, the further you can move your computer).

If you can afford to wait there is a monthly computer fair at the Square House (right next to IH) where you can get some good bargains. IH currently runs DHCP: if DHCP has been enabled (it is by default) on your computer, after you plug in your computer you should be able to access the IH network. To access the internet, you must first login in.

Login name and password can be obtained from the office during opening hours (9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday). Only the office can top up your quota (internet/telephone), so remember to put in enough credit to last through Saturday – Sunday.
Protection against Computer Viruses:

- At International House, it is the responsibility of the resident to make sure that their computer is virus free.

Finding help with computer problems:

- Ask your neighbours! They may have come across similar problems, and they’re usually very eager to help.

List of computer services provided by IH:

- Free access to the IH network. All traffic within IH is not billed.
- Free access to the University network. All traffic through that is not billed either.
- Access to the Internet. Download & upload traffic is billed.
- Download as used here is defined by the transfer of any material from a source outside of your computer to your computer. This includes all web surfing, icq chatting etc.
- Printing services: There is a printer in the IH library, which photocopying/printing scanning can be done.

7. **Electricity Charges**

The supply of electricity to each student room is metered separately. Residents will be charged for electricity in excess of $40 per session.

8. **Laundry**

Laundry machines are available on the ground floor near the entrance to the Dining Hall. Laundry may be hung out to dry on the clothes lines across from the TV Room but International House cannot assume responsibility for lost items. Laundry should not be hung outside windows or in the public areas of the building. Laundry must be collected when dry and should not be left hanging for several days.

9. **Rubbish and Recycling**

Trash cans are provided throughout the building for paper and other unsoiled rubbish. Garbage (food items) should not be deposited in the trash cans. All garbage which may emit odours or attract roaches must be placed in the small bucket and the top of the bag twisted tightly closed. Monday through Friday except on public holidays the housekeeping staff will remove the garbage.
10. Storage Room and Bicycles Storage
A limited amount of storage is available for residents to store items during the summer vacation only. During the academic year all residents must store personal items in their room. There is a maximum of four boxes per person and furniture cannot be placed in the storage rooms. Once the storage rooms are full no additional space will be provided and residents must find their own storage outside the College. All items must be removed from storage before the end of the second week of session in order for the rooms to be cleaned.

To place items in storage residents must make an appointment in the Office during the last two weeks of session. All items must be packed in boxes, sealed and clearly marked with the date, name, address and phone numbers. Items not labelled or items that have been left for 6 months or longer will be considered abandoned and sold by the College.

The College does not assume responsibility in the case of damage or loss of personal items and residents are encouraged not to leave valuables in the storage room.

Bicycles must be stored in the Bicycle Storage located opposite the TV room. All bikes must be marked with the resident's name.

11. Parking of Vehicles
University parking regulations apply to IH residents. Residents can purchase student after hours parking permits to allow them to park on campus. Vehicles must be parked in designated parking spaces. Motorcycles cannot be stored in the Fireside Room or other areas of the College.
12. Refrigerators

Refrigerators are provided throughout the building for student usage. All items must be clearly marked with the resident's name and room number. The refrigerators are cleaned on a regular basis and a notice will be posted at least 24 hours in advance. Personal items must be removed on the cleaning day and anything left in the refrigerators will be thrown away.

13. Notices

Residents may place posters on notice boards. All notices must be dated and any notice that is expired will be removed. Notices must not be placed on walls or other areas of the building. All information regarding the House is published in our bulletin which is placed on the Dining Hall tables weekly.

14. Common Area

On the ground floor there are Sir Bernard Freeman Library (the Computer Room), Recreation, Television, Music and Fireside Rooms for residents to use. The Library is equipped with computers with internet access for the sole use of IH residents and the Television Room has a Foxtel connection. Food and drink is not permitted in common areas of the building with the exception of the dining room and games room with permission from the Master.

15. Floor Lounges and Community Kitchenettes

Lounges and Community Kitchenettes are provided on each floor for residents' use. Residents are responsible to keep the floor Kitchenette clean and tidy. Cooking is not allowed in bedrooms and dishes cannot be rinsed in the bathrooms. IH crockery and silverware must remain in the Dining Hall or Courtyard. There is a $20 charge for taking IH crockery, etc. to any other part of the building.

16. Newspapers

Newspapers are provided for residents' use and must remain in the Reading Room. Articles should not be removed from the paper. Please, do not leave the newspapers in the Courtyard.
17. Access in the College
The entrance doors to the college are operated by a FOB. On arrival, you will be issued with a FOB. There is a reader on the outside of each entrance to the college. To activate your access, hold the FOB near the reader. The management of the College reserves the right to restrict access to the premises including resident's rooms.

18. Room Keys (lost or locked out)
Your room key operates your room door and in the beginning of the session the east and north entrance doors. There is an electronic key that operates the three entrance doors (FOB). If a resident loses his/her room key they must immediately report the loss to the office or the senior on duty. There is a $40 charge to replace a lost key and $50 charge to replace a FOB or replace a cylinder. In the event that a locksmith must be called out after hours, weekends, or public holidays the charge will most likely be more, depending on the invoice from the contractor. Residents who lock themselves out of their rooms may contact the office (during business hours) or the duty senior (Ext 699) for assistance.

19. Room Furniture
All rooms are equipped with a single bed, desk, study and easy chair, book shelves and blinds. All furniture must remain in the resident's room. Residents must pay the full cost for any damage to furniture and furnishings.

20. Television Service
Each resident’s room is equipped with a free-to-air TV connection and selected cable channels. To access the service you will need to purchase a coaxial cable. There is a TV in the lounge and exercise room.

21. Printer/Photocopier/Scanner
There is a printer, which is capable to print, photocopy and scan, in the Library. To use the printer/copier you will need to establish an account in the Office. There is a charge to use the service. For information on the operation of the printer please contact the college Network Administrator.
Conditions of Residence

1. Admission

International House places high priority on selecting students who will make a positive contribution to the House and foster the concept of International Understanding. The admission policy of International House is based upon our “Vision, Mission and Values” statement. We seek individuals who value cultural diversity and are willing to share their culture while respecting the beliefs and values of others. We seek individuals who are willing to participate in the life of the College and give their time and talent for the enrichment of the community. Diversity in terms of the academic area of study, cultural background and gender will also be taken into account. New residents, who have not lived in the College before, will be evaluated on their application, letters of reference and if possible an interview. Re-admission to the College by previous residents will include an evaluation of the resident’s participation and contribution to the House, tolerance and respect towards others, academic progress and financial standing with the College as well as respect for the rules and property of the House. Admission is on a session by session basis and should not exceed a total of 5 years of residency. Academic records of all residents will regularly be provided to the College administration on a confidential basis.

The staff will evaluate each application for admission and re-admission for the following session based upon the above criteria and make a recommendation to the Master. Residents who have had two or more previous corrective actions or been in debt or arrears will not be readmitted to the College. Residents who pay by the year but are not re-admitted for the session will have their payment adjusted to the session rate and the balance refunded. Applicants requesting an exception to the decision may submit a written petition to the Master. The Master has the authority to make the final decision regarding applications for admission/re-admission.
2. **Arrival**

Residents should advise the Office at least one week prior to their expected date and time of arrival. Upon arrival residents must check in at the Office and sign the register. If you arrive during non-business hours contact the Duty Senior on extension 699 for assistance.

3. **Departure**

Departing residents must check out at the Office before 10:00am and leave their rooms in a reasonable state of cleanliness. Any cleaning above normal wear or damage to the room will be charged to the resident. There is a $100 minimum charge for excessive cleaning.

4. **Room Assignments**

Residents must be in good financial and social standing to be considered for a room assignment for the following session. At the end of each session a Re-admission/ Permanent Leave Form will be distributed to each resident. Forms returned after the due date will be placed at the bottom of the queue. Residents who state they are returning and then later decide not to return will forfeit their Security Deposit. Rooms are assigned on the basis of seniority as follow:

1. First; residents who are returning the following session and desire to stay in the same room will be assigned to the respective room.
2. Second; residents who are returning the following session and desire a room change must attend the House meeting. Residents will select their room for the next session by order of Seniority (date / time they checked into IHH). All rooms except those occupied by residents returning to the same room are available. If you are unable to attend the House meeting you can arrange for someone else to act on your behalf; written notice required.
3. Lastly, all available rooms are assigned to new residents.
4. Room changes during session are at the discretion of the office staff.

5. **Disabled Students**

Rooms 15 & 22 are designated disabled rooms. This means that priority for these rooms will be given to disabled applicants who have been accepted to the College.

The current resident, who is not disabled, will be assigned to another room.
6. International House Fees

Residents are responsible for payment of fees as outlined in their “Letter of Offer”. To reserve a room, a payment of $2,000 is required. Payment can be made by cheque, bank draft, credit card or direct deposit. There is a 2% surcharge for all card payments. For electronic transfer the details are:

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For the description enter your name so we will know who it is from.

Room and Board Fees:
The accommodation fee must be paid on an annual or session basis and rent begins the Saturday preceding Orientation until the end of the second session. Residents who pay by the session must vacate their room during the mid-year recess or pay the additional amount for the period. Payment is due upon arrival and you will forfeit your bond and the balance of your room and board payment if for any reason you vacate the College. An accounting fee of $50 per week will be charged each time a resident’s accommodation fee falls into arrears. Residents who are in arrears three or more times may have their phone or meal privileges restricted and they will not be readmitted to the College the following session. Residents with financial difficulties should discuss the matter with the Master.

There will be an additional charge for staying in the college for any nights beyond the dates listed below. For example, if you arrive before or remain past the payment dates listed below or if you pay the session and then remain in college during the mid-session recess there will be an additional charge. The charge will be the weekly session rate plus $8 per week.
Residents’ Society Membership:
This fee is compulsory and is approximately $50 per session (up to date figures can be found at the following website: http://ihunsw.edu.au/fees.htm)

International House Fees:
Latest fee information International House can be found at the website, at the following link: http://ihunsw.edu.au/fees.htm

Security Bond:
The Security Bond of $900 is required as part of the initial deposit. The full amount of the bond will be forfeited if:
1. The resident leaves the College prior to the end of session.
2. The resident states on the Re-admission form that they are returning for the next session and then later changes their mind.
3. Damage to the property of the College or any property that is the responsibility of the College.
4. Special cleaning to the resident’s room ($100 minimum).
5. Any missing IH property allocated to the resident.
6. Failure to return room keys, meal card and FOB.

The College will refund the security bond by cheque payable to the resident within a month after departure. If you state on your Leave Form that you are returning the following session then at a later date you decide to leave, you will forfeit your bond.

Registration Fee:
The registration fee is a “once-off,” non-refundable (non-transferable) fee of $100.

Disclaimer:
These fees are subject to change. Always refer to the fee schedule as set out online (http://ihunsw.edu.au/fees.htm), for the most up to date information or alternatively contact the college (+61 2) 9313 0600 for latest fee information.
Emergencies

In the event of an emergency contact the Office during business hours or the Duty Senior on extension 699 during non-business hours. Campus Security can be reached on extension 6666 (9385-6666 externally).

1. Fire Precautions
When the fire alarm is activated all residents must evacuate the building. If possible, close all windows and doors to your room and evacuate to the grassy area between the Square House and the Swimming Pool. Residents must not return until instructed by the Duty Senior.

Residents are reminded that it is a serious offence to cause a false fire alarm or tamper with fire equipment. Raising a false alarm, whether accidental or deliberate, or tampering with fire equipment will result in a $1000 fine. For serious offences disciplinary action including termination of housing may apply. Any charge by the fire brigade will be passed on to the concerned resident.

2. Security
Security is the responsibility of all residents. The urban location of the College presents unique problems of thief and personal injury. Residents are strongly reminded to close their window(s) and lock their door, particularly when they are not in their room. The chain on some room windows is not a security device and thus the window should always be closed when you are not in your room.
Residents are reminded not to admit strangers to the building. Admit only personal guests and escort their departure from the College. All exterior doors are alarmed and must not be propped opened. Exterior doors to the College must remain closed and locked at all times. Security cameras are located at all entrance doors.

3. Accidents and Illness
Office staff and Seniors are available to help residents when they are ill or injured. The office staff or Duty Senior, and ultimately the Master should be informed of any illness or accident. If required, a doctor can be called or the patient can be taken to the University Health Service on campus (Tel: 9385 5425/6/7), during office hours; or to the Emergency Room at the Prince of Wales Hospital (Tel: 9399 0111). Ambulance service can be arranged by calling (Tel: 9211 2233). All residents should be covered by a hospital, Medicare or medical benefit scheme.

The college cannot be held responsible for accidents or illnesses and that usage of the exercise equipment is at the resident’s own risk.

4. Insurance
The College is unable to accept responsibility for loss or damage to personal property. Residents are encouraged to take out an all-risk insurance policy on possessions kept at the College. We strongly suggest that residents close and lock the window(s) and door to their room and that money and valuables not be left in exposed areas.
Food Service

The International House Food Service operates seven days a week during the academic school year. Monday through Friday three meals per day are served and on Weekends and Holidays, brunch and dinner meals are provided. The food is primarily Asian cuisine and vegetarian meals are provided.

The service is cafeteria style and second helpings of salads, rice and potatoes (not main course or vegetables) are provided. Residents are encouraged not to waste food. The International House budget operates on the premise that residents will miss a certain percentage of the meals and that guests will purchase a meal ticket. Due to the financial arrangements, residents are not allowed to give their meal to another person.

College crockery, cutlery, etc., must be returned to the dish room. If you want to take food out of the Dining Hall or Courtyard you must provide your own containers. There is a $20 charge for taking IH dishes, etc. out of the Dining Hall/ Courtyard area. Community Kitchenettes are provided on each floor and residents are reminded that they must provide their own cooking utensils and crockery.

1. Meal Hours

Dining hours for the academic year are listed below. The Dining Room will close half an hour after serving. There is no food service provided during the summer.

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In order to ensure a full choice of meals, residents should arrive at least half an hour before closing. Particularly at dinner we cannot guarantee two choices towards the end of service.

2. Dining Services

Breakfast

Monday through Friday cereals, toast, fruit and juice are served for breakfast. The weekend brunch meals will vary but often include bacon and eggs.

Lunch

Lunch consists mainly of Asian food and a full range of selected salad bar items. Hot food is usually available.

Dinner

Dinner consists mainly of Asian food and a vegetarian option as always available.

3. Meal Cards

Each resident will be issued a meal card which should be kept in the servery. The computer is programmed to authorise one breakfast, lunch and dinner per resident per day and the card must only be used by the resident it has been issued to. If your card is lost or damaged, a replacement can be obtained from the Office.

4. Guest Meals

Guests of residents are welcome to join their host for meals. Breakfast cost $5.00, lunch $6.00 and dinner $10.00. Payment can be made at the servery.

5. Special Arrangements

- **Packed Lunches**: Residents are encouraged to eat in the Dining Hall, however, if your class schedule does not permit you to return to the College for lunch during regular session you may order a packed lunch Monday through Friday, except public holidays. Order forms must be completed by dinner the proceeding evening. Packed lunches are available for pick up after 7:30am & must be collected by 10:00am.
• **Late Dinners:** Late dinners are available weeknights during regular session for residents whose class schedule does not permit them to return to the College. If you require a late dinner you must present your class schedule to the Food Service Manager in order to make the necessary arrangements. Residents requiring late dinners must provide their own containers labelled clearly with their room number. Late dinners can be collected from the refrigerator in the Reading Room. In all cases, residents are responsible for the supply and care of their own containers.

• **Vegetarian:** Vegetarian meals are provided for residents. Residents must sign up with the Food Service Manager for vegetarian meals and they are expected to take the meals that have been prepared for them and not to switch back and forth at their convenience.

• **Special Functions:** There are four special dinners per year and all residents are urged to attend. National dress is encouraged
Management of the College

1. College Staff

Dr Robert Lundy
The Master, is Chief Executive Officer responsible for the overall policy, finance and management of the House. Residents are encouraged to discuss personal, academic, or financial issues with the Master.

Ms Margaret Kwan
Accounts Officer, maintains and controls all accounts, banking, collection of fees and payments of refunds. All matters of a financial nature should be directed in the first instance to the Accounts Officer.

Seniors
In addition to the full-time staff, Seniors are appointed to act on behalf of the Master during weekends, evenings and holidays. When the Office is closed, residents are welcome to approach the Seniors in all cases of illness or emergencies. The name of the Senior on Duty is posted on the office entrance door. The housekeeping and food service staff are employees of the College

2. Residents’ Society

All residents of IH who have paid the RESOC fee are members of the RESOC. The RESOC strives to foster an appreciation of all cultures and endeavours to create and preserve conditions in which tolerance and understanding prevail.

The Executive Committee consists of eight elected members: The President, Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Social Director, Honorary Sports Director, Honorary Food Committee Chair-person and a Special Committee Member. In addition the residents elect one member to the Board of Directors of International House. Elections are held in March of each year at the Annual General Meeting and all residents are encouraged to attend.
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### Notes

- **Senior On Duty**: x699
  - Weekdays: 5pm-9am
  - 24 hours on weekends and public holidays

- **Office**: 93130600
  - M-F: 9am-5pm

- To call internally to another room in IH, just dial the 3-digit extension number.

- Phones cannot be used to call outside numbers.

- To call a room from the outside:
  - Dial: 9313 0 + Extension
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