

# Camp Aspire

INDIGENOUS YEAR 11 AND 12 CAMP  
INFORMATION BOOKLET 19 to 21 January 2021

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# Introduction to Walanga Muru

Walanga Muru means follow your path in the language of the local Darug People.

At Walanga Muru, we seek to engage and guide students to choose the right path to take, to navigate the obstacles and tangles of life, and to emerge as strong, resilient leaders. The vision of Walanga Muru is to grow our future Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders in their chosen fields and to build the educational aspirations of our youth.

## Why choose Macquarie?

### SOME FAST FACTS



**APPROXIMATELY 400**  
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students



**ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDENTS**  
come from all states and territories in Australia



**OUR CAMPUS**  
has clean and green grounds, spanning 126 hectares



**LOCATED ONLY 15 KILOMETRES**  
from Sydney CBD



**A CULTURALLY SAFE**  
office to engage and assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students



**MORE THAN 300**  
companies on campus or in the Macquarie Park high-tech precinct



**MORE THAN 10,000**  
degrees awarded annually



**THE ONLY**  
university in Australia to have a private hospital on campus

**Connect. Empower. Succeed.**



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# What is this camp all about?

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This camp will enable you to experience an area of our university, an area that you choose based on your interests. By attending this camp you will gain the knowledge and experiences that will allow you to make a decision on what your tertiary study options are once you finish high school.

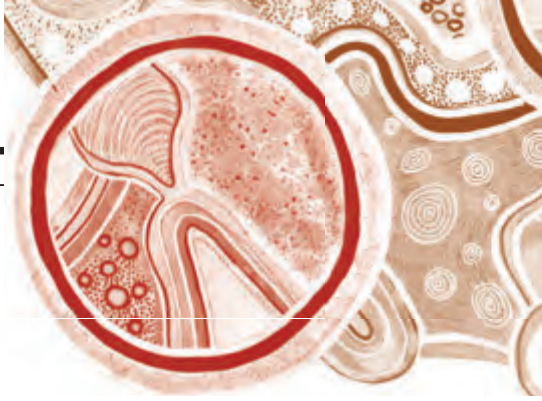
The first 2 days of the camp will be involved in engaging activities run by our faculties to allow you a taste of the degree areas they have to offer.

Day 3 will be activities led by our office, Walanga Muru, and will focus on available opportunities at our university, our pathways into university, scholarships, accommodation options, a chance to speak to external stakeholders about job opportunities as well as Cultural activities.

This camp enables you to choose which faculty you are interested in, you will find all the information required to make your decision within this booklet.

You will be asked to select your first and second choice of 'faculty stream' on the online application.





# Camp Details

**WHAT:** This is an all-inclusive 3 day residential camp to explore tertiary options at Macquarie University.

You will get a taste of our campus and meet other deadly people from across NSW.

Over the 3 days you will experience activities that allow you to get a taste of what your dream degree involves, meet external organisation representatives and get involved in Cultural activities. Students will be supervised by Walanga Muru staff throughout the entire duration of the camp, with night staff staying with the campers at Dunmore Lang College (on MQU's campus) both nights.

**WHO:** Indigenous students in year 11 and 12 in 2021 located in NSW (Due to travel restrictions)

**WHEN:** 19th to 21st January, 2021.

**WHERE:** Majority of the activities will be on Macquarie University Campus, North Ryde NSW.

**HOW:** To apply please head to: [https://it-mqu.formstack.com/forms/camp\\_aspire\\_2021](https://it-mqu.formstack.com/forms/camp_aspire_2021)

Please make sure you really express your interest to attend and passion behind your chosen faculty stream in order to secure your spot. Places are limited, best applications will be selected.

**COST:** No cost to campers all accommodation, food and transport will be supplied.

## COVID-19 UPDATE:

As a University, we are being vigilant to remain COVID safe and as such have installed automatic hand sanitiser dispensers across campus, implemented cleaning measures that support everyone's safety, have sanitiser wipes will be available in learning spaces for students and staff to use to wipe their chair/ desk /other equipment and signage installed to remind all users of on-campus spaces about COVID safe practices. We have also arranged the furniture on-campus to accommodate social distancing and also have COVID Safe Ambassadors located around the campus to ensure all adhere to social distancing measures to keep us all safe.



# Camp Timeline

Monday 15 October	Applications open
Monday 7 December	Applications strictly close
Tuesday 8 December	Successful applicants notified
Tuesday 15 December	Deadline to accept attendance
Monday 19 December	Travel will need to be locked in and sorted Faculty
Wednesday 6 January	activities and additional camp information The
Monday 19 January	camp begins



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# Choosing your Faculty Stream

**What path would you like to follow?**

This camp enables you to choose the stream of activities that you will experience for 2 days of the camp. It is all about you discovering your future opportunities, exploring career options and making deadly friends in the process.

You will gain knowledge in your chosen area of interest and get a taste of what a university degree is all about.

On the online application you will be asked for your first preference and your second preference.

For the camp, we have separated the faculty streams into 4 options which are explained in detail in this booklet.

*Please note: Spaces are limited and you may not get your 1st preference.*

## FACULTY STREAMS

- 1. MQ Business School**
- 2. Faculty of Arts**
- 3. Faculty of Medicine, Health and Human Sciences**
- 4. Faculty of Science & Engineering**





# 1. Macquarie Business School

BE INSPIRED, OUR COURSES YOUR WAY

Do you want to own your own business or work within the corporate world?

Are you an independent thinker and have a passion to improve the lives of communities locally and worldwide?

Our interdisciplinary approach gives you the chance to combine courses and get more hands-on experience, we offer flexibility, so you can choose to generalise or specialise in an area that interests you – whether it be business, economics, commerce, accounting, finance, actuarial studies, business analytics, marketing, management, entrepreneurship or human resources.

A degree within this faculty can help you gain insightful knowledge to make a positive impact within our ever-changing society. Your degree will allow you to get the chance to undertake ground-breaking research, visionary analysis and leadership through meetings, conferences, publications and events.

## DEGREE AREAS WITHIN THIS FACULTY:

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Commerce
- Economics
- Finance
- Actuarial Studies
- Business Analytics
- Marketing
- Management
- International Business

## CAREER OPTIONS:

Actuary, fund manager, risk analyst, superannuation consultant, corporate finance officer, stockbroker, investment advisor, business owner, sales manager, marketing consultant, business intelligence analyst, customer insights manager, social media manager, auditor, accountant, policy planner, economist, international marketer, global business analyst, brand manager, media and public relations specialist

## TYPES OF ACTIVITIES YOU WILL EXPERIENCE AT THE CAMP:

- Experience a virtual factory
- Learn how to negotiate
- Explore stock trading
- See if you are you a risk taker
- Explore ideas to make a social change
- Teamwork and innovation in accounting
- Learn how to bargain like an economist

For more on this faculty head to:

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/business/>



Please note the above activities are subject to change.

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## 2. Faculty of Arts

### TRANSFORM YOURSELF AND THE WORLD AROUND YOU

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As one of the leading arts and humanities faculties in Australia, Macquarie's Faculty of Arts is home to bold thinkers and passionate scholars who are asking the big questions about the world. United in the spirit of interdisciplinary discovery we explore the human story from its earliest foundations in ancient cultures to its exciting future.

The Faculty of Arts consists of 14 departments, 2 university research centres, 4 faculty research centres, 1 museum, and a joint ownership of a community radio station.

#### DEGREE AREAS WITHIN THIS FACULTY:

- Ancient History
- Indigenous Studies
- Archaeology
- Anthropology
- Geography and Planning
- Indigenous Studies
- Media and communication
- Music
- Law
- Sociology
- Education
- Security Studies
- International Studies
- Social Science
- Politics
- Modern History
- Ancient and Modern Languages
- Cultural Studies

#### TYPES OF ACTIVITIES YOU WILL EXPERIENCE AT THE CAMP:

- Explore Indigenous Studies
- Modern interpretations of humanity
- Unpack the impacts of the environmental change
- Practise law in a moot court
- Digital imaging workshop
- Music workshop
- Creative writing activity
- Experience sociology first hand
- Careers practice-based exercises



#### CAREER OPTIONS:

Archivist, communications officer, criminologist, historian, human resource manager, journalist, radio producer, advertising executive, digital designer and developer, film or tv producer and writer, social/market researcher, social change activist, intelligence officer, barrister or solicitor, financial legal advisor, public policy advisor, diplomatic servant, legal officer, multimedia specialist, lobbyist, entrepreneur.

For more on this faculty head to...

<https://www.mq.edu.au/about/about-the-university/faculties-and-departments/faculty-of-arts>

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# 3. Faculty of Medicine, Health and Human Sciences

INSPIRE. ENGAGE. TRANSFORM

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Research in the Faculty of Medicine, Health and Human Sciences spans the biomedical and clinical sciences, cognitive and brain sciences, health systems and health informatics, linguistics, physiotherapy, psychology and public health.

Areas of research excellence include neuroscience, innovations in healthcare systems, emotional health, expertise, multilingualism, language acquisition in children, reading, and speech and hearing.

In putting our students first, we provide an inspirational education experience informed by research that transforms understanding and changes lives.

## DEGREE AREAS WITHIN THIS FACULTY:

- Linguistics
- Medicine and health sciences
- Psychology and cognitive science
- Speech and hearing

## TYPES OF ACTIVITIES YOU WILL EXPERIENCE AT THE CAMP:

- Explore the how the brain works with Lego
- Understand communication in science
- Understand how we learn and how memory works in teaching
- Explore human behaviour and psychology



## CAREER OPTIONS:

Community care manager, community development worker, community health and social advocate, health and social researcher, international aid and development worker, forensic speech scientist. After further postgraduate study, psychologist, audiologist, speech pathologist.

For more on this faculty head to...

[www.mq.edu.au/about/about-the-university/faculties-and-departments/faculty-of-human-sciences](http://www.mq.edu.au/about/about-the-university/faculties-and-departments/faculty-of-human-sciences)

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# 4. Faculty of Science, Engineering

BE AUDACIOUS AND BRAVE;

DON'T BE AFRAID TO TACKLE BIG ISSUES

**Faculty of Science and Engineering:** In a world more dependent on science and engineering than ever before, we stand at the forefront of change and innovation.

Our degrees address the big issues faced by society both nationally and internationally – the changing environment, future materials and fuels, biotechnology, cyber security, just to name a few. The pairing of engineering and science in a single faculty means many of our research discoveries in science see direct technological applications in engineering.

## CAREER OPTIONS:

Aerospace engineer, electrical and electronics designer, automotive engineer, mechanical engineer, water engineer, robotics designer and programmer, app developer, software engineer, web designer, environmental consultant, wildlife manager, bio-prospector, conservation policymaker, environmental consultant, environmental scientist, aquaculture and mariculture specialist, exploration geologist, chiropractor, sports injury specialist, forensic scientist, pharmacologist, medical researcher

## DEGREE AREAS WITHIN THIS FACULTY:

- Biodiversity and Conservation
- Digital Business
- Marine science and biological sciences
- Engineering
- Chiropractic
- Earth and planetary sciences
- Medical sciences
- Cyber security
- Mathematical Sciences
- Marine Science
- Environment
- Information technology

## TYPES OF ACTIVITIES YOU WILL EXPERIENCE AT THE CAMP:

- Experience a working hospital on campus
- Visit inside science laboratories and science experiments
- Hear stories from current students

For more on these faculties head to...

[https://www.mq.edu.au/faculty-of-](https://www.mq.edu.au/faculty-of-science-and-engineering)

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# Information for campers, schools, parents and caregivers

## TRANSPORT:

If you are travelling more than 3 hours to get to the camp please get in touch with [wmpathways@mq.edu.au](mailto:wmpathways@mq.edu.au) to discuss and organise your transportation to the camp.

## RULES OF ATTENDING:

- 1) Macquarie University is a learning institution. Students entering are requested to respect the rights of the university students, staff and property
- 2) **This is a smoke free event. Students will not be permitted to take smoke breaks for the duration of the camp**
- 3) **This event is also drug and alcohol free. Any student found to have drugs or alcohol will be sent home immediately**
- 4) Any students attending that are over the age of 18 must comply with the camp rules set down for all students. They must at all times obey the aim and purpose of the camp
- 5) Under no circumstances are students able to switch into another faculty stream after being allocated theirs upon their application being deemed successful

## ACCOMPANYING TEACHERS / CAMP SUPERVISION:

- This camp is run in the school holidays; therefore no teachers will be attending the camp. However the campers will be under 24/7 supervision of Macquarie University staff.
- If students are traveling to Sydney by plane, there will be Walanga Muru staff at the airport and shuttle buses will chauffeur them from the airport right to the door of the on campus accommodation, Dunmore Lang College.
- If students are traveling to the camp by public transport, the Macquarie University campus is easily accessible, with our university having it's own train station and bus stops throughout and nearby campus

## IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

In case of an accident or illness that requires emergency treatment, staff will utilise the appropriate emergency service. Every effort will be made to contact parents/guardians, which are listed as authorised nominees on this form to notify them of the situation. The approved provider, nominated supervisor or facilitators will seek/provide urgent medical, dental, hospital treatment or ambulance service, including the transportation by ambulance (accompanied by a Macquarie University staff member or external facilitator), for the camp attendee if this should be considered necessary and the parent/guardian will accept any responsibility for the cost incurred.

Please note: When a medical practitioner has prescribed medication (including emergency medication) that will need to be administered during the excursion, parents are responsible for:

- 1) Bringing this need to the attention of the Macquarie University staff.
- 2) Ensuring that the information is updated if it changes.

Supplying the medication and any 'consumables' necessary for its administration in a timely way. The medication should be well within its expiry date.

## USE OF CONTACT DETAILS:

The contact details provided in this application will only be used in case of emergency.

# How to apply

FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW

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- STEP 1:** Read the information in this brochure thoroughly; share the information with your teachers and your parent/caregiver.
- STEP 2:** Fill out the online application outlining your desire to attend and the passion towards your chosen field at [https://it-mqu.formstack.com/forms/camp\\_aspire\\_2021](https://it-mqu.formstack.com/forms/camp_aspire_2021) by Monday 2nd December, 2020.
- STEP 3:** Wait to hear if your application has been successful by Tuesday 8th December, 2020.
- STEP 4:** Make sure you are prepared, know what to pack, know how you are getting to and from the camp and know where to meet etc.
- STEP 5:** After hearing you application is successful, come along to the meeting place at 10am on Monday 19th January 2021 to have an awesome time!



## Any Questions?

GET IN TOUCH

**Website:** [mq.edu.au/walanga-muru](http://mq.edu.au/walanga-muru)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/walangamuru](http://www.facebook.com/walangamuru)

**Email:** [wmpathways@mq.edu.au](mailto:wmpathways@mq.edu.au)

**Phone:** (02) 9850 8631

**To apply:** [https://it-mqu.formstack.com/forms/camp\\_aspire\\_2021](https://it-mqu.formstack.com/forms/camp_aspire_2021)