



SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

9:30 AM - 7:30 PM
October 19, 2023 (Thursday)

Auditoriums 1 & 2, Michael Spence Building (F23)
Corner of Eastern Avenue and City Road

ABSTRACT

The symposium, part of the Welcoming International Students to Sydney University for Over a Century event series, aims to bring together academics, students, alumni, and staff to share their insights on matters concerning international students at the University of Sydney.

REGISTRATION 9:00

OPENING CEREMONY

9:30 - 10:30

- Acknowledgement of Country** • Siupeli Haukoloa-Paea | Advancement Manager of Gadigal Centre
- Speech from Student representative** • Lia Perkins | President of SRC
Weihong Liang | President SUPRA
- Reflections on an International Student Experience** • Basim Alansari | CEO/ General Manager of PsychCentral | USYD Alumni
- Speech from USYD Executive** • Prof Susanna Scarparo | Pro Vice-Chancellor (Student Life)
- Q&A** • PVC-SL, Student Representatives, and the Alumni

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS & DISCUSSION

10:30 - 12:00

- International Students in Australia - Some Historical Lessons** • Prof Julia Horne | Professor of History and University Historian, The University of Sydney
- International House, Connecting Australian and International Students at Sydney University for 53 Years until 2020** • Prof Gregory A. Houseman FRS | Chair of the Council of Sydney University International House, Emeritus Professor of Geophysics at the University of Leeds in UK
- Q&A for Keynote Speakers** • Prof Julia Horne, Prof Gregory A. Houseman FRS

LUNCH BREAK

12:00 - 13:00

- Light lunch and beverages are available for participants and guest speakers; as an interval, this period allows everyone to network and chat after the morning session.

AFTERNOON SESSION: PANEL DISCUSSIONS

13:00 - 16:30

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Tea break

15:00 - 16:30 •

ROOM 1

- **Diversity, equality and wellbeing**
- **From students to residents: work and life in Australia after university**

ROOM 2

- **Researching in a higher education context in Australia**
- **Learning and teaching in a culturally diverse environment in Australia**

NETWORKING EVENT

16:30 - 19:30

- Closing speech from Prof Mark Scott AO | Vice-Chancellor and President of the University of Sydney
- Drinks and canapés will be provided while you have the opportunity to network with other students, staff and alumni of the University.