

8 GREAT REASONS TO LIVE IN UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION

1. Study support

When study gets challenging or you have an academic challenge, you will always have friends around for support and assistance. We provide academic support programs run by VU Academic Support transition specialists. At UniLodge, you can also take advantage of our hi-tech, purpose-built study rooms and resources, as well as the timely activities that UniLodge runs for beating exam stress.

2. Close proximity to university

Footscray Park Campus is one minute away, and Footscray Nicholson Campus as well as Footscray train station are all just a short walk away from UniLodge @ VU. VU provides an extensive range of health and wellbeing services (such as counselling, gym and swimming pool), Library student clubs and other support services right on your door step. The city campuses are only two train stops away, which means additional libraries, computer labs, and a variety of other VU services are also at hand.

3. Security and safety

Safety and security are a priority at UniLodge @ VU. Security Card access right to your bedroom door, over 100+ CCTV cameras and on-site staff (available 24 hours each day, seven days a week) help you feel safe and comfortable in your new home. VU Security provides escorts from the Footscray Park Campus to UniLodge, and also run a [shuttle bus](#) service between some campuses and their closest train stations, so you can feel safe and secure.

4. Residential life and wellbeing programs

UniLodge's renowned [Community Spirit Residential Life Program](#) is designed in conjunction with VU support services. The program covers everything from developing skills to improve your career prospects to health and wellbeing. The social events are also a lot of fun.

Living at Unilodge @ VU means you are supported by students who have "been there and done that" before. At UniLodge @ VU a team of trained Residential Advisors (all current residents of UniLodge) are always on hand to help out, with everything from coordinating a barbecue event to providing advice.

5. Extensive orientation and transition programs

Living in VU managed accommodation means that you'll meet and make friends for life. Events, like our week-long Orientation Program, are designed to help you build a network of support that will last long past your uni days. UniLodge @ VU has a comprehensive in house Orientation Session backed up with a number of social integration activities, throughout each Semester, and special information sessions hosted by the VU mentor student advisors.

6. Diverse social and cultural activity program

Like photography? What about drama, sport or singing? We've got it all covered with a diverse

range of cultural and social activities on offer throughout the year. We celebrate a number of different festivals and traditions – such as Lunar New Year and Eid-al-Fitr – and encourage you to learn about and enjoy the cultures and traditions of your housemates.

7. Simple payment system

Worried about planning your budget? Not here! Living at UniLodge @ VU means you have a simple no-fuss payment system, with everything (water, gas, electricity and internet) included in your rent - nothing more to pay. Easy!

8. Student leadership opportunities

Give back and grow your skill base all at the same time, by taking on a role as a student leader/residential advisor. A comprehensive training program means you'll be well prepared for this paid role, which will enable you to develop new skills and help to make the experiences of new residents just as good as yours were, when you first arrived! UniLodge @ VU's training program, coupled with VU's wide range of [leadership programs](#) can also be great for work experience - and an excellent addition to your resume.

