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Your guide to life in the house!

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Welcome letter

Hi there! You are lucky enough to be joining our family at Colombo House. My name is Max and as President for 2018, it’s my pleasure to welcome you into your home for the next semester or two. Not to brag, but Colombo has some of the best facilities on campus and hosts the best of both worlds: when it comes to balancing college life and school/work commitments. At Colombo we pride ourselves on our independence, with an industrial sized kitchen, laundry and ensuite bathrooms in every room.

Another thing that makes Colombo so great is our unique culture. We house around 240 students, from first years, to post-grads. Within this, Colombo is home to people from over twenty different nationalities, making it one the most diverse college experiences available to students. As President of Colombo House and head of our student run House Committee, I also oversee the planning and implementation of college events. Trust me, you will not be bored. Highlights of the semester include, Assassins and Angels weeks, the International Food Festival and our Tri-College Cruise, the celebration of our special partnership with our sister colleges, UNSW Hall and Figtree Hall. The semester is also permeated with weekly House Committee events. These include: Intercollege Sports competitions, regular (and subsidised) food outings, charity events and uni-wide parties at the newly refurbished ‘Roundhouse’ on campus.

These events are organised by our superstar House Committee: Ryan as Treasurer, Ciara as Secretary, Sondre and Sam for Sports, Rianna R and Judy for Food, Ysabel and Cameron for Social, Gisle for Post Grad, Demi for Charity and Rianna M for international. Whatever your passion is, you will find like-minded residents in Colombo and through our inter-college events.

O-Week starts on the 19th of February so get ready for a whole lot of fun. Our theme this Semester is ‘Survivor’, so get ready for some great challenges and rooftop torch ceremonies (Feel free to watch a couple of episodes of the TV show to get some background info).

My advice for O-Week and for your stay at Colombo is this. Don’t take yourself too seriously. Everyone is just as nervous as you so have fun with it. Try and introduce yourself to at least three people when you first move in, some of my best friends are people I met on my first night. On a selfish note; make friends with people from other countries. You don’t want to miss out on potential free international accommodation!

Max Arkley-Smith  
President, Colombo House

Our RA’s

Max Chan
Level 1, Room 130

My name is Max and I will be your floor one RA this year. So, a little bit more about me, I am from the beautiful city of Hong Kong and I am a second-year computer science student. I have been living in Colombo for two years now, and I love every single moment of it. So, if you have any questions or problems at all, please do not hesitate to come over and knock on room 130’s door. (Oh, and preferably after 12pm when my zombie brain is actually functioning like a normal human brain:) If I am not responding, it’s either too early (before 12pm), or you can almost always find me either around the pool table or in the gym. (and obviously.. emm.. in class..)
Josh Zhang
Level 2, Room 230

Hi to all you new Colombians and congrats on getting into the one of the best colleges!
My name is Josh, I’m from China and this year I will be returning to Colombo house as the 2nd floor RA (Room 230). I am currently studying a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering (3rd year). When not studying, I’m playing basketball, table tennis, swimming and video games. Alright, that’s enough about myself. Would love to hear back with a little information about you. See you soon!

Rachel Mulholland
Level 3, Room 330

My name is Rachael; I’m from Canada originally but an Aussie at heart! I study environmental management and arts, where I major in international relations & geography and minor in Spanish. I love to swim, ski, hang out with friends around town and am always up for a hike or camping trip (so longing I’m not working) I’m super excited to be at Colombo this year and can’t wait to plan some awesome events and have a lot of fun with everyone!

Abigail Wright
Level 4, Room 430

Hi All, I am Abigail Standish and in my second year of studying English Literature at UNSW. I am passionate about hiking, dance, yoga, swimming, and most any form of physical expression or liveliness. I love literature and spend much of my free-time writing and reading. I embrace books from all genres, but my favourites are fantasy and comedy.

I grew up in Santa Barbara, California and am grateful to have found myself attending university in Australia on a whim induced by my love of travel. I am especially grateful to have found myself living in Colombo House, where I have met an abundance of people I now call my best friends!

Zali Kakko
Level 5, Room 530

Hey I’m Zali, the floor 5 RA here at Colombo House. I moved here at the start of 2016 from Adelaide, South Australia. I’m going into my third year of studying Psychology at UNSW and besides being obsessed with everything mind related, I’m also obsessed with baking and makeup!

It was a dream of mine to experience college life but in a college that really understood the importance of cultural diversity. My experience with the college has been nothing but an adventure. You very quickly learn how to balance your studies with social activities, as well as grow up a lot!

Colombo House offers a great college experience, but floor 5 is where you will find yourself most comfortable! All returners are super excited to meet you guys and we hope to keep floor 5 undefeatable. With inter-floor competitions we get a little competitive, but it’s all fun and games. We had a very exciting year last year where we won the inter-floor decorations two semesters in a row! I hope we can keep it up and have lots of fun while we’re at it!

Since moving here I’ve learnt a lot about my personal strengths and abilities; and I hope that as your RA, I can be there to experience the abundance of challenges college has in store for you. However most importantly, I’m going to be there with you throughout it all, big or small.

I look forward to 2018, and spending it with all of you! I can’t wait to see you all at our floor suppers on Sunday (there’s always free food, omg!)

Level 6, Room 630

Who this will be is still a mystery but at least you’ll know their room.
The President
Max Arkley-Smith

Hi, my name is Max and I’ll be the President of Colombo House in 2018. I moved in to Colombo in Semester 2 last year when I started my first year of a Bachelor of Science and Business.

You are most likely to see me chairing Coffee Night Meetings or participating in College events. On a day to day basis you can find me on the fifth floor or ground floor kitchens eating Mi Goreng or sitting with my friends. As President I am your go-to guy for college related issues and questions, whether it be about figuring out how to use washing machines or details about events, I can help or direct you to someone who can. Some of my interests include; bushwalking, camping, playing guitar, exploring the city, beach going and Thursday night karaoke.

Living at Colombo has given me loads of opportunities to meet new people. Being one of only three Australians in my fresher group, I’m good friends with people from nearly every continent on Earth. Colombo is also great because our college facilities and culture. With a mixed cohort of first years through to post-grads, you will quickly find your own friend group. This environment along with our unique kitchen facilities helps us students feel both independent and included.

I’m excited to meet and make great friends in Colombo House in 2018.

The Treasurer
Ryan Duthie

I have been moving and living internationally ever since I was a young child. After deciding to return to Australia to complete my tertiary studies, I moved to Colombo House after a three year stay in India. The idea of moving homes yet again felt daunting - yet Colombo House has served as a welcoming home in the six months I have been here. The international community has once again connected me with people and cultures that I’ve experienced in my previous travels. Living here has aided my studies in Finance and furthered my connections to people with similar interests such as filmmaking and art.

The Secretary
Ciara Mueller

Hello fellow Colombros, and welcome to a new year at Colombo House – whether you’re a returning resident or brand new! Each semester is an exciting new adventure to embark on, only made better by everything this amazing college of ours puts on throughout the year. This semester we have an incredible new House Committee line up that will be organizing loads of brilliant events that I highly recommend you attend, to really make the most of your stay here as it’s a wonderful opportunity to get involved and make new friends! Colombo House is founded on the ideals of international communications and is thus the best place to mingle with people from all around the world, so don’t be shy – leave your rooms to hang out by the pool table (a personal favourite), or spend some time in the common rooms to ensure you meet all the amazing, internationally diverse group of people living with you.

Finally, let me actually introduce myself. I’m Ciara (pronounced “Kira”, but don’t be surprised if you hear me called Clara – it’s a nickname from my first semester that seems to have stuck), I’m 21 years old, and a Second-Year international student studying Media in Communications and Journalism, and this will be my second year living at Colombo and it couldn’t feel more like home. I’m a bit international myself – I’m half Irish, half German (so I speak German fluently too – Guten Tag!), and grew up all over the world, from Indonesia to Dubai. I’m generally always around college and most events that get put on, so if you see me don’t hesitate to come up and say hi and I’ll do my best to try and get to know everyone new moving in throughout the semester.
Social Director
Ysabel (Bel) Aluquin

Hey everyone! I’m Bel, a second year Screen & Sound Production Undergrad and one of your social directors. A little more about me: I’m 21 and I was born and raised in the Philippines and moved to Singapore when I was 10. I’m an expert at cooking instant noodles and consuming far too much sugar. Some events we’ve got lined up are movie nights at The Ritz, karaoke sessions in the common room and the highlight of the semester: the Tri-College Tournament Cruise. I look forward to meeting all of you and seeing you at some of the fun events we’ve got planned for this semester. If you see me around the downstairs kitchen (where I am almost all the time), come and say hi!

Food Director
Judy Yang

Hi everybody, I’m going to be one of the food directors this semester! A little bit about myself, I’m a third year Commerce/Design student from NZ, and this will be my third year living in Sydney. As your food directors, Rianna and I will be taking you guys to food outings (which are subsidized), and you will see us in the ground floor kitchen cooking for you guys or holding cooking classes. Make sure that you guys keep an eye on the Colombo House Facebook page because that’s where we’ll be posting updates on our food events. Look forward to meeting you all!

Food Director
Rianna Ruming

Welcome to ~ Colombo ~
My name is Rianna (Riri, if you will). I voyaged here from a town called Orange in the summer of ‘17 and am back for another year by popular demand. I have completed my first year of International Studies & PR and Advertising, including a year of Spanish without being able to speak a single Spanish sentence ¯\_(ツ)_/¯ hehe.

Judy and I hope to inspire you to get ~creative~ in the kitchen → wine & dine you, without the wine, in C00L places around the city → help you learn NEW ways to cook and NEW ingredients to use → ~create~ events that bring people together.

Here’s to a delectable 2018!

Sports Director
Sam Hughes

Hello I’m Sam Hughes and this will be my second semester both here in Colombo and in Australia. I am passionate about travel, photography, and anything outdoors. Sports has always played a major role in my life from a young age and all through high school I played a variety of sports from American Football to Golf. Now this love for being active has continued through Colombo’s sports program. In this upcoming semester you will be able to find me on the playing...
fields helping to lead or cheer on our many teams. Rather you have played sports all your life or want to meet some new people, reach out to me sometime and come join in.

**Sports Director**
**Sondre Brekke**

Hi! I’m Sondre, one of the Sport Directors for Sem 1 2018 and I’d like to welcome you all to Colombo House!
I’m an Exchange student from Trondheim, Norway and I study Economics, Maths and Computer Science. I love doing sports in my spare time and my favourite is soccer, so let me know if you also share that interest!
As a sport director, my role is to help organize lots of fun sporting events throughout the year! Last sem we did soccer, basketball and hockey, and we already have a lot planned for the coming semester. This year we’re really trying to increase involvement by introducing some new sporting and social events with the other colleges. I really encourage you all to come along to our sporting activities and help us make this the best semester yet!

**International Director**
**Rianna Mo**

Welcome to Colombo! I am Rianna and studying Media. I am 19 and spending my 2nd full year in Colombo, though I am originally from China. I’m looking forward to celebrating your culture and traditions by sharing them with the rest of Colombo House. Please say hi and introduce yourself when you arrive.

**Charities Director**
**Demi Ball**

My name is Demi and I am Colombo’s Charity Director for 2018! I am super excited to be in this role and can’t wait for you all to get involved in the events we have planned for the year.

This is my second year at Colombo and also my second year of studying a degree in Journalism and Communications. I am from a country town called Tamworth in New South Wales, about 5 hours from Sydney. Relocating to the city was a massive adjustment for me at first, but I’ve grown to really love this place and consider it my second home (more like my first home actually?!). I hope you’re excited for the year ahead, it’s going to be so much fun!

**Post-Grad Director**
**Gisle Bakken**

Hi, my name is Gisle. I’m 26 years old from Trondheim, Norway. I came to Australia in July 2016 to study at UNSW and have been living in Colombo the entire time. I’m doing a Master of Engineering Science in Manufacturing Engineering & Management, which I will finish after Semester 1 2018. Looking forward to meeting all the Postgrads in the college and doing some fund things together. A very warm welcome everyone to Colombo House!

**COLOMBUDDY**

**Mentoring Program**

All new residents are automatically invited and are expected to join in our mentoring program called COLOMBUDDY. The purpose and format is very simple and effective. We partner up all new residents with a returning resident as a buddy/mentor - we call them COLOMBROS to help them get settled in to College life, UNSW life and Sydney. The COLOMBROS each have approximately 4 Colombuddies and join with one other buddy group for group activities. The program runs until the 3rd week of the Semester, so it’s quite short. Colombros are there to welcome you, answer any question you have, show you around and introduce you to some people around the college. They go through some in-house training however they are all volunteers. We expect that after going through the program you will also sign up and apply to become a Colombro to help future new residents to the college.

**The office**

The Student Accommodation office is located at the entrance of Gate 5. If you walk out of Colombo House, turn right and it’s just past the driveway. The office will help you with any mail, financial, maintenance, cleaning and contract questions. It’s also where you go to pick up any large mailed parcels.
Some basic house rules

It’s important we all remember that we are sharing a home here and therefore, we have some basic rules house rules for you to follow to ensure everyone enjoys their time at Colombo House. Follow these rules and you won’t ever get into trouble with us.

Quiet time

From 11pm to 8am it’s time for quiet in the house. Please be respectful of this to make sure that anyone who wants to sleep or study is able to. We all love a good party but between these times you’ll need to take it to an external location if you want to be rowdy. This ensures that Colombo House is a nice place for everyone to live.

If you hear noise after 11pm, please try and discuss direct with the resident(s) involved in a calm respectful way. If that doesn’t work (95% of the time it will!) please just call our duty tutor and ask for their help… And yes, quiet time also applies on the weekend.

No smoking

UNSW is now a smoke free campus which means that all parts of Colombo House are strictly no smoking zones.

‘But what about my balcony?’
Nope, no smoking anywhere at UNSW.

‘But what about the fire stairs?’ Nuh uh, still UNSW.

‘How about in the stairs out the front or the little alcove near Gate 4?’
……No.

‘What about across the road, completely off campus’
That’s where you go!

Penalties will apply if you’re caught smoking in Colombo House.

Shared space

There are a number of communal places and facilities that you share with all the residents in Colombo House. Make sure you clean up after yourself in the kitchens, common rooms and study areas.

Residents need to ensure that they do not leave old food out in any areas. Food left out in the kitchens and common rooms will be removed by RA’s, cleaners or Deans. Each student has one pantry and one draw in the fridge and freezer - this is where food should be stored. We have created a space for you to store your kitchen boxes, labelled with your room number, so please keep any extra items you need in this area.

We have a rooftop BBQ area on level 6. It’s open until 10pm and alcohol is permitted in plastic containers only between 5pm - 9pm. The same goes for our ground floor external courtyard.

Student ID

Make sure you keep your student ID on you at all times. It’s how you access Colombo House and you will not be able to use the elevator, re-enter the building or your room if you don’t have your student ID. If you lose you ID during office hours, go to the Student Accommodation office. If you lose it after hours, call the duty tutor.

Can my friend stay over?

Guests are welcome in Colombo House, however, it’s your responsibility to look after your guests. If you want your guest to stay overnight, you’ll need to request this in writing to the Dean (Michael Patoka) with the names, dates and contact details for your guest along with written confirmation you will be responsible for them during their stay. Email is fine however please don’t leave this to the last minute.

Responsible alcohol policy

This is your home and it’s completely fine to have drinks with friends. However, Colombo House has a strict no drinking games policy, simple as that. Though it would seem ideal, we’re not a pub or venue for large drinking and non-approved gatherings. There are many pubs and venues available for that near or on campus. If you are causing a disturbance for fellow residents by drinking, you will be asked to move on by College staff if not by fellow students. If so, please be compliant with that request and be considerate to the whole community.

It is expected that residents drink responsibly at all times and do not drink to excess or with the sole purpose of becoming inebriated. Residents who
display anti-social behaviour or frequently disturb or disrupt other residents will subject to penalties.

**Falling ill**
In the unfortunate moment that you fall sick and vomit, it’s your responsibility to clean up your own mess. If you don’t, then you’ll be charged for a biohazard crew to come in and clean it up. If you have become sick as a result of excessive alcohol consumption, you may also be liable for penalty.

If no one confesses they are responsible, then the payment will come out of the House Committee budget, which means less events and activities for everyone.

**Have fun**
Make sure you try and get to know everyone at Colombo House, participate in all our social, cultural, charity and sporting events and have a good time!

**Help**
There are people willing to help you with anything at any time. Whether it’s a friend next door or if you’re feeling a little bit home sick, there are professionals at CAPS or an RA/your Colombro or the Deans in Colombo House to assist. The best thing about living on campus is having a constant support network.

Even if it’s something you’re embarrassed about or think it’s beyond an RA’s skills, come and see us and we will do everything we can to be kind and non-judgmental whilst we help you out, or find someone who can.

Don’t ever feel like you have to deal with stuff alone.

- At college, if there is an emergency or serious incident and the Student Accommodation office is closed, contact the Colombo House duty tutor on 9385 9786, 6pm and 8am Weekdays and all weekend.
- If you need to talk to someone who is professionally trained, contact Counselling & Psychological Services (CAPS) on 9385 5418, 9am - 5pm weekdays or visit them on level two, East Quadrangle Building.
- If you need a doctor, dentist, physio or other medical professional, contact UNSW Health Services on 9385 5425, 8.15am - 5.30pm weekdays or visit them on the ground floor, East Quadrangle Building.
- If you have legal, financial or academic issues contact the Student Participation Advisors on 9385 9365, 9am - 5pm weekdays, or visit them on the lower ground floor, Morven Brown Building.
- If you’re being discriminated against or harassed, contact a Student Equity Officer on 9385 4734 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 10am - 4pm, or visit them on the ground floor of the Goodsell Building.
- If you need to report a crime, see an emergency on campus or at college but cannot contact a Duty Tutor, call UNSW Security on 9385 6666 (emergency) or 9385 6000 (everything else) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Email**
Accessing your email is important at uni as it’s the only formal way that the course and lecturers can contact you. It’s the same at college, the Dean will send out regular emails to students.

To access your email account:

mail.unsw.edu.au

However, the college also uses a Colombo House Facebook page and your floor RA’s have individual floor Facebook pages. These are good for communication, but they do not contain all the information that will be sent out via email.

**Facebook**
**Colombo House**
To join in and keep up-to-date with what’s happening on social media, join our Facebook group. Search for ‘Colombo House Residents Page’ or type in the address below:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/659407590786738/

**Floor Facebook**
Each floor will have a dedicated Facebook page. To find your floor page search for Colombo House Floor X, where X is the floor you’re on. You will only be allowed to join the Facebook group of the floor you’re living on.
The Portal
portal.rc.unsw.edu.au/residents

Repairs
Please refer to the loose flyers in your welcome pack for logging a maintenance request.

Accounts
Log into the portal, on the main page click the Accounts tab.
1. On the accounts page you can view your account summary, account details and make a payment.
2. If you have questions about your account, contact the Student Accommodation office.

Updating your personal details
1. On the main page of the portal, click Update Details.
2. Enter your personal details.

Please keep these up-to-date as this is the formal address we will have for you.

Contact info
Important numbers (save these in your phone).

UNSW COLLEGES Duty tutor: 9385 9786.

UNSW Security: 9385 6000.

Emergencies: 000 or 112.

Closest hospital is the Prince of Wales Hospital. It’s 500m up High St from Colombo House.
Ph: 9382 2222.

Closest police station is Randwick Police Station at 196 Alison Road. Ph: 9697 1099.

When to call
Call the duty tutor if you’re locked out, have a noise complaint or need help within the House.

Call security if you need help or feel unsafe on campus.

Call 000 if you’re in an immediate emergency.
However, we prefer you call security for contacting emergency services as they can escort them to you.

If you lock yourself out
If you lock yourself out of your room between 8.30am and 4.30pm you can go to the Student Accommodation office and they will give you a temporary card to let you back into your room.
If it’s between 6pm and 8.30am then you can call the duty tutor on 9385 9786 (save this number in your phone). When the duty tutor comes they will need your name and student ID after they let you back into your room. If the call is after 11pm then you need to pay a $20 fine. You will need to pay this the next day to the Dean. If you continue to lock yourself out - you’ll face community service (third lockout) and a larger financial penalty for the fourth and subsequent lockouts of $100.

Please note: Before February 9, please call security (9385 6000) for all after hour lockouts.

If you have a noise complaint
If there are people in the college who are loud, you firstly, politely, ask them to be quiet. Half the time the people making the noise won’t realise how loud they are. If, after asking, the same people are not being quiet and you’ve tried to ask them again, call the duty tutor and they will move the people on. If the noise is outside of the college you should call UNSW security.

If your power goes out
Call the duty tutor - you may have to wait until the following working day before it gets fixed, unless it’s urgent.

If you injure yourself or see another person injured
Call the duty tutor, they will call security and decide as to whether or not you or the person needs to go to hospital.

If there is a major emergency
Call the duty tutor and security and if still needed, due to no response, then and only then - call 000, direct, however the security office should usually do this for you to be able direct/escort the emergency services to your exact location.

Things to do on campus
Join Arc
Arc is UNSW’s student organisation (kind of like a student union equivalent) and they offer a whole heap of benefits to students. Membership is FREE, so you might as well sign up.

Go to the Arc website arc.unsw.edu.au or visit them in their offices at Gate 5.
Join some clubs & societies
Once you become an Arc member, make sure you join as many clubs and societies as possible. This is a great way to meet people outside of college and attend even more events on campus.

Join an Arc volunteering program
Volunteering programs offer you another opportunity to get involved and meet people and there are a number of awesome volunteering opportunities. Head to the Arc website for more details.

The White House
They have the best pizza, coffee, wedges and punchbowls on campus and it’s right next to Colombo House. Tuesday trivia is a Colombo tradition – though we expect top results!

The Roundhouse
YES ITS BACK after a year of renovations! This is the UNSW’s main bar where they hold session parties and live gigs. Tickets to most events are generally around $10 for Arc members, and they sell out very quickly. The roundhouse is currently going through a major renovation to there is a temporary marquee set up on the Village Green until the building works are completed.

The gym
In your welcome pack you will have received information about the gym, so if you want to join let them know you live in the college and you’ll get a massive discount off their normal prices.
- $536 up to 24 December
- $286 up to 30 June

Sports
Arc and UNSW offer a number of ways to get involved with sport. Arc run weekly social sporting competitions as well as a number of wellness courses and recreational activities. For more info check out their website, sport.arc.unsw.edu.au.

If you want to join the rugby, hockey, football, rowing or kendo clubs then check out the Join a Clubs page at sport.arc.unsw.edu.au/joinaclub.
There are over 33 different sporting clubs to choose from!

UNSW bike club (Bike-ology)
The bike club on campus is a free Arc service that will teach you how to repair and maintain your bike. They have bike workshops on campus (outside the Arc offices, at the end of Gate 5) from 12 - 2pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Music room
Colombo has a piano that is situated at the very end of the common room.

If you want to play together in a music room then you will have to talk to Arc, they hire out music rooms for all Arc members.

IGA
UNSW has a food store on campus, while this is super convenient to shop at; it’s generally more expensive than Coles or Woolworths at Randwick. The IGA is located near Gate 2 on High Street.

On and off campus cheap eats and general deals
To see where all the cafés, ATMs and other general services on campus are: facilities.unsw.edu.au/ node/183/#foodandbeverage

Being a member of Arc provides a heap of benefits and discounts: arc.unsw.edu.au/membership/member-discounts

The Ritz Cinema in “the Spot” at Randwick offers cheap Tuesday movies for $8 per ticket: ritzcinema.com.au/Page/Ticket-Prices

There are also a heap of cool cafés/bars and takeaway places in “the Spot” – so check it out!

Tuesday night at the Doncaster hotel is two for one steak for only $12.50: doncasterhotel.net.au/Whats-On

The DOG hotel in Randwick also has a heap of two for one deals: doghotel.com.au

All you can eat pizza at Bondi Pizza, Eastgardens for $19.95 (Monday to Wednesday): facebook.com/ bondipizza/photos/a.216161968445108.51532.12567487493657/834745379920094/?type=1&theater

Dominoes and Pizza Hut both do really cheap $5 pizzas (pickup only and limited menu) if you’re really desperate for a cheap feed!

AMF Bowling has a sunset unlimited deal, $19.95, 7pm - 10m (Monday - Thursday): amfbowling.com.au/Special-Offers

Watch out for our Cheap Wednesdays at Colombo House - dinner for a fiver!
How to print something

We're excited to start using our new printer located in the common room on the ground floor. Each student will be provided with approximately 50 pages per semester free of charge. You'll need to provide your own paper, though you may want to come together and invest in a few reams amongst friends. Credits should be provided to all residents by the end of week one.

Once you're ready to print, you'll need to send the job to the correct wireless printer cue and go to the printer on the ground floor to release it.

Instructions on how to print/top up etc are provided next to the printer and will be emailed out to all residents shortly.

Harvest Hub

harvesthub.com.au

This awesome service continues in 2017. If you want awesome quality fresh fruit and veggies at a reasonable price delivered to Colombo House every Saturday morning, check out the Harvest Hub. You pay and order online and the college helps to pack it all up in convenient cool bags ready for your collection.

The Hub prefers a $20 weekly order, but this is not mandatory, and you can pick whatever you want – not just getting a pre-selected box.

Items include eggs, breads, cheeses, nuts, grains, coffee, fruit and veggies.

There is a small fee to join and simply choose Colombo01 as your hub to join up. Feel free to ask the Dean or Food Director for more details on this. Remember, this is a way of getting produce much more directly from the farm to your door and the produce is much fresher than the major supermarkets.

We will also have a stall during O-Week.

Basic recipes

Boiling an egg

**Step 1:** Place yours eggs in a saucepan and fill until you cover the eggs with cold water.

**Step 2:** Put a lid on the saucepan and bring the water to the boil over a high heat.

**Step 3:** Reduce heat immediately to medium and gently boil, uncovered, stirring occasionally.

For a soft boiled egg (yolk is runny on the inside) continue cooking for 1 minute per egg.

For a medium-boiled egg, cook for an extra 2 minutes per egg.

And for a hard-boiled egg continue cooking for 3 minutes per egg.

To peel the eggs, first crack them a little and run them under cold water. This cools the egg down and makes it easier to peel with your fingers.

Pancakes, from scratch

- 1 ½ cup milk
- 1 egg
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 cups of self-raising flour
- ¼ teaspoons bicarbonate of soda
- 1/3 cup caster sugar
- 25g butter

**Step 1:** Whisk milk, egg and vanilla together in a jug. Sift flour and bicarbonate of soda into a bowl. Stir in sugar. Make a well in centre. Add milk mixture. Whisk until just combined.

**Step 2:** Heat a large non-stick frying pan over medium heat. Brush pan with butter. Using 1/4 cup mixture per pancake, cook 2 pancakes for 3 to 4 minutes or until bubbles appear on surface. Turn and cook for 3 minutes or until cooked through. Transfer to a plate. Cover loosely with foil to keep warm. Repeat with remaining mixture, brushing pan with butter between batches. Serve.

Spaghetti Bolognese

- 1 large onion ($0.45).
- ½ stick of celery (share with others going shopping $1.50).
- ½ garlic (share with others going shopping $1).
- Minced beef 500 grams ($4 or share with others and buy in bulk).
- Chicken stock - Campbells or similar liquid 500 grams ($2.20).
- Canned peeled tomatoes, whole ($1.40).
- Tomato paste: small container 280 grams (or buy bulk with others) $1.50.
- Pasta: Fettuccini 2 packs of 500 grams ($3).
- Total cost: $15.10.

Equipment needed

Sharp knife, chopping board, peeler, medium size pot or large sauce pan for meat sauce with thick base preferable, large pot for boiling pasta, strainer for pasta and wooden spoon for stirring. Serving plates, cutlery and serving spoons.
Simply chop all veggies and onions and fry in olive oil until soft. Cook mince in chunks until browned off. If you want a splash of red wine - this is where you add and let the alcohol burn off. Add all tomatoes and stock and cook on low heat for at least 30 mins, though better for a few hours. Serve with pasta and top with grated cheese (parmesan if you have it). Serve with a nice green garden salad.

‘Mums’ chicken soup in case people get sick

- 1kg chicken pieces
- 2 carrots, peeled and roughly chopped
- 2 sticks celery, roughly chopped
- 2 - 3 sprigs fresh rosemary
- Sea salt

Add chicken, carrots, celery and salt to large saucepan, cover with water and bring to the boil. Turn the heat on low simmer and cook for further hour. Add salt to season and rosemary in last 10 mins.

How to clean

The kitchen

One of the biggest issues we get here in the college is ensuring the kitchens stay as clean as possible for everyone throughout the day. Whilst there is a cleaning of surfaces done on a daily basis in the mornings, the kitchens should be cleaned by all of you after every use. Here are some handy hints to get the best out of using them:

- Only store food inside fridges/freezers and lockers and lock your items up! Food left out on counters, unlocked or on top of shelves etc. is likely to end up in the bin or taken by someone else - please don’t fall into this trap.
- Buy a large clear plastic container with a lid (lockable if you can find it) and keep all your leftover items in this. Label it clearly so everyone knows that it’s yours. You will be provided a place to store this close to your kitchen area on some shelves or in your room.
- PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE clean up all your rubbish immediately after cooking, leaving your kitchen bench free for others to use.
- Sit down and eat with others. This is a great way to meet new people. Likewise, if you see someone sitting alone, invite them to join you.
- When using the oven, microwave or stove, please wipe down any spillages immediately.
- When using the rubbish bins, please try and get it in the bins. If you leave rubbish on the metallic frame, please wipe it down so it stays clean.
- Every so often we’ll have a large Colombo cleaning bee and we ask that everyone joins in to completely clean down the kitchens together. There’s loud music, free food and usually a BBQ or other celebration to end.

The bathroom/bedroom

- Cleaning your room regularly creates a nice healthy environment for you to live and study in - it’s highly recommended to do every week!
- On a weekly basis - vacuum your room, wipe down your surfaces, clean your bathroom (toilet, shower, shower doors, mirror, sink/vanity and floor).
- Air out your room by opening the window and using the fan - people like coming to your room if it’s clean!

Jobs and careers

To find jobs, this Arc website will direct you to vacant internal positions, paid and volunteering. As well as other job offers both on and off campus:

arc.unsw.edu.au/about-us/jobs--opportunities

UNSW also has its own careers office which is really useful, they have advice, seminars, internship opportunities and programs to help you get a job, as well as a jobs board:

careers.unsw.edu.au

Internet usage and networking devices

Wi-fi is available in Colombo House. You’ve got access to the UniWide fair usage system. There’s no volume based charging for the internet, but you’re bound by the acceptable use of IT resources policy:

it.unsw.edu.au/students/policies

For instructions on configuring your device and accessing the network:

it.unsw.edu.au/students/uniwide

You must not connect or make use of any networking devices on the data ports provided (for example: networking routers, hubs, switches).
What happened around Colombo in the past and what to expect this year

- ICC Intercollege Cup – now called the Tricolege tournament Colombo won this in its inaugural semester in 2016 and have come 2nd ever since. Let’s return it in 2018!
- Talent Night: Expect this to take place sometime in O-Week. All new residents are expected to perform and attend to cheer everyone on!
- Lots of international cooking and shared cooking experiences so be prepared to cook and teach others.
- Lots of BBQS.
- Weekly Coffee nights on Wednesdays – basically a house meeting where the HC discusses all the activities of the upcoming week.
- Weekly floor Supper hosted by the RA team where free food and chilled hangouts occur on Sunday evenings in the floor common rooms.
- Common room themed parties/gatherings.
- Floor competitions, including trivia nights, dodgeball and other fun activities.
- Wednesday cheap eats.

Plus so much more! So get involved, make friends, meet others and try something new.

Colombo House is now your home away from home!
Useful Apps and Websites

TripView or TripView Lite
- TripView displays Sydney Train/Bus/Ferry timetable data on your phone.
- It features a summary view showing your next services, as well as a full timetable viewer.
- It also shows whether your bus is running early/late and roughly how long till your bus arrives.
- All timetable data is stored on your phone, so it does not require any network access.

Uber
- Uber is a reliable taxi service that operates in Sydney.

GoogleMaps
- GoogleMaps is a handy app to use to figure out how to get to destinations and if you somehow get lost!
- It features walking, driving and public transport options and expected time of arrival (ETA) for all these options.

Transport NSW
- http://www.transportnsw.info/home
- This website has the maps of the bus routes and train services and a ‘Plan your trip’ application.

What to do in Sydney?
The following websites/facebook pages are great resources to check out what you can do in Sydney!
- The Urban List
- Concrete Playground
- Pedestrian.tv

Address of your College
A number of students find that they need their address to set up a number of services in Australia. Once your spot in College is confirmed this is your street address (the one you would use for forms and mail/letters).

Resident Name
College Name
Gate 5, High Street
University of New South Wales, Kensington, NSW, 2052

So for example:

Jane Doe
Colombo House
Gate 5, High Street
University of New South Wales, Kensington, NSW, 2052

If you’re organising any deliveries (such as parcels or online shopping purchases) use the following address:

Resident Name
College Name
UNSW Student Accommodation Office
Gate 5, High Street
University of New South Wales, Kensington, NSW, 2052

So for example:

Jane Doe
Fig Tree Hall
UNSW Student Accommodation Office
Gate 5, High Street
University of New South Wales, Kensington, NSW, 2052

The main form of public transport near the Colleges is the buses. The main bus routes run along the perimeter of the campus. Bus stops are located on High Street at Gate 2 and Gate 8 and along Anzac Parade.
Public Transport

Opal Card
The Opal card is a smartcard ticket that you load value onto and keep for travel on all public transport in Sydney, and the Blue Mountains, Central Coast, Hunter, Illawarra and Southern Highlands.

Setting Up Your Opal Card

1. Go to → https://my.unsw.edu.au/
   Log on to your MyUNSW account with your zID (e.g. 3587343) and zPass.
2. Click on ‘MyStudent’ tab. This is located to the top left of your home page.
3. Find ‘Concession Opal Card’ on the left. It is located below the ‘Online Services’ heading.
5. Once you’ve given your consent wait up to 2 business days for Transport for NSW to receive your details, then you can apply for your Concession Opal card online at
   or by calling 13 67 25 (13 OPAL).

   NOTE: If you are not entitled to a concession Opal Card, alternatively, you may purchase an adult Opal card at the IGA or WH Smith store on campus.

Buses to Central
UNSW Express Bus routes (890, 891, 892 and 895) run to and from Eddy Avenue, Central Station. These routes are prepay only (Make sure you set up your Opal Card first!) and are fast and high frequency. Please note these services only operate Monday to Friday.
The Bus Routes 391, 393, and 395 run to and from the UNSW Kensington campus. These routes are not express routes but operate 7 days a week.

Buses to Coogee
The Metrobus 50 (M50) (Drummoyne to Coogee via the City, Anzac Parade and High Street and the 370 (Leichhardt to Coogee via Anzac Parade and High Street) run to and from Coogee. You can catch these service at the stops along High St and at the Arden St near Coogee Beach bus stop from Coogee.

Buses to the Airport
Bus route number 400, traveling between the airport and Bondi Junction passes along Anzac Parade and stops at the Anzac Gate. When using this route check beforehand using TripView whether the service terminates at Eastgardens. The Route stops in walking distance between the 2 Domestic terminals and the International terminal. Between 7am and 7pm these buses operate every 20 minutes.

Buses to the City
Many routes run from Kensington and Randwick to the City CBD. Head to UNSW Bus Stop Stand ‘B’ to catch the 302, 303 (goes via Surry Hills), 392, 394, 396, 397, 399, L94 (limited stops service) and M10 services.
From Randwick the X73, and X77 goes to the city. These routes can be caught from the Belmore Rd near Arthur St stop.