

VENUES & FACILITIES
GUIDE



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Aspire

Aspire Events, Venues & Catering.



Aspire, located in Wollongong, offer a range of food, beverage and event services throughout the Illawarra and Sydney region.

Aspire manages multiple venues within the thriving grounds of the world class University of Wollongong and the coastal Innovation Campus.

The University of Wollongong is perfectly positioned at the foothills of the Illawarra Escarpment which creates the feeling of being a world away. However, the University is located within a short drive to the CBD and coastline.

An array of venues are available including the recently refurbished Grand University Hall, conference rooms, large manicured campus lawns, the thriving UniBar and UniActive sporting facilities.

The team can assist with managing access to additional University facilities (seasonal availability) to ensure all of your conference and event requirements are met.

Alternatively, host your event at the internationally recognised Innovation Campus, the centre of Australian Innovation and research excellence. The prestigious Event Centre, located within 'The Central' complex, offers sweeping south easterly views. The floor to ceiling glass windows are the perfect backdrop featuring natural daylight and picturesque views, over the campus duck pond.

Every aspect of your event is covered to ensure a seamless, successful event that will create memorable experiences.

Refer to the Culinary Collection and Catering brochures for detailed food and beverage options.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

Aspire would like to respectfully acknowledge the Dharawal peoples as they are the traditional custodians of the land on which we live, learn, play and work. Aspire is committed to showcasing the spectacular natural beauty of the Illawarra that is rich with cultural and spiritual stories of it's First Peoples from the mountains to the sea. We acknowledge their ancestral spirits, their Elders of the past, present and emerging and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in our community.

Location.

Situated perfectly within easy access to Sydney, Wollongong is a thriving seaside city with a flourishing escarpment as the backdrop. Wollongong is emerging as a hub for education, health, business and innovation. The city has all the facilities that you need to host a world-class event, from Aspire and university venues to national and international hotel chains for your guests. Combined with the local attractions, our facilities are sure to make your next conference or event memorable.



- POPULATION:** 290,000
Australia's 10th Largest City
- LOCATION:** 80kms from Sydney
250kms from Canberra
- AIRPORTS:** 18kms to Illawarra Regional
75kms to Sydney Domestic and International
- SEASONS:** Summer: 18 - 26°C
Winter: 8 - 17°C

- FEATURES:** 17 patrolled beaches
Escarpment overlooking the city and the sea
Wollongong Harbour
Flagstaff Hill
Grand Pacific Drive & Sea Cliff Bridge
Largest buddhist temple in the Southern Hemisphere
Free bus between UOW, IC and the CBD
25+ accommodation options



Campus Maps.

UOW Main Campus.



Innovation Campus.



Our Team.



WHAT ASPIRE OFFER

- Personalised service from the Event & Catering Coordination Team
- A selection of catering options and packages, or a bespoke menu designed to suit your needs
- Catering straight from our state of the art commercial kitchen
- Customisation and creative service to add the unique touches to your event
- Professional food and beverage teams to host your event
- Qualified Sommelier to carefully select your wines and beverages

IT IS ALSO ABOUT GIVING BACK...

All profit generated from Aspire, contributes to the University of Wollongong's student engagement experience. The UniLife team (a division of UOW Pulse) carefully design a variety of events and experiences to maximise the students university life on campus.

Aspire employs a large majority of the food and beverage team from students on campus at the University of Wollongong plus local residents. The team are provided with fulfilling hospitality work experience, short term work or opportunities to build on a successful industry career.

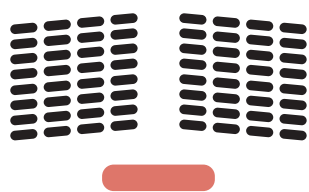
Sustainable work practises are implemented including the provision of general waste, recycling and organic waste bins. Organic waste is processed via the Pulpmaster system at the UniBar which diverts organic waste from landfill.

The catering team utilises bio-degradable disposables including cutlery, napkins and plates. Plastic straws are excluded from our beverage service.

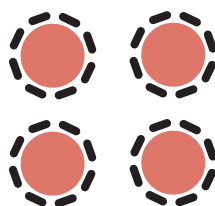
Venue Snapshot.

VENUE	THEATRE	BANQUET	CABARET	COCKTAIL	BOARD ROOM	U SHAPE
UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG CAMPUS						
UNIVERSITY HALL	1000	540	440	1000	-	-
UNIVERSITY HALL FOYER	200	140	80	200	-	-
THOUGHT BUBBLE	80	40	24	80	30	20
UNILIFE ROOMS	90	70	56	90	30	40
THINK TANK	40	30	24	40	20	20
BRAINS TRUST	50	40	32	50	20	20
INNOVATION CAMPUS						
EVENT CENTRE	360	240	120	360	-	-
OCEAN ROOM	180	136	60	180	40	40
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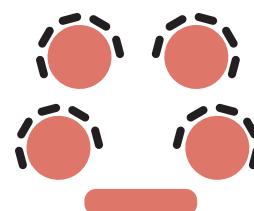
Venue Layouts.



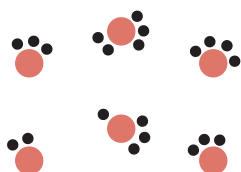
THEATRE



BANQUET



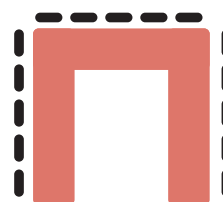
CABARET



COCKTAIL



BOARD ROOM



U SHAPE

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG



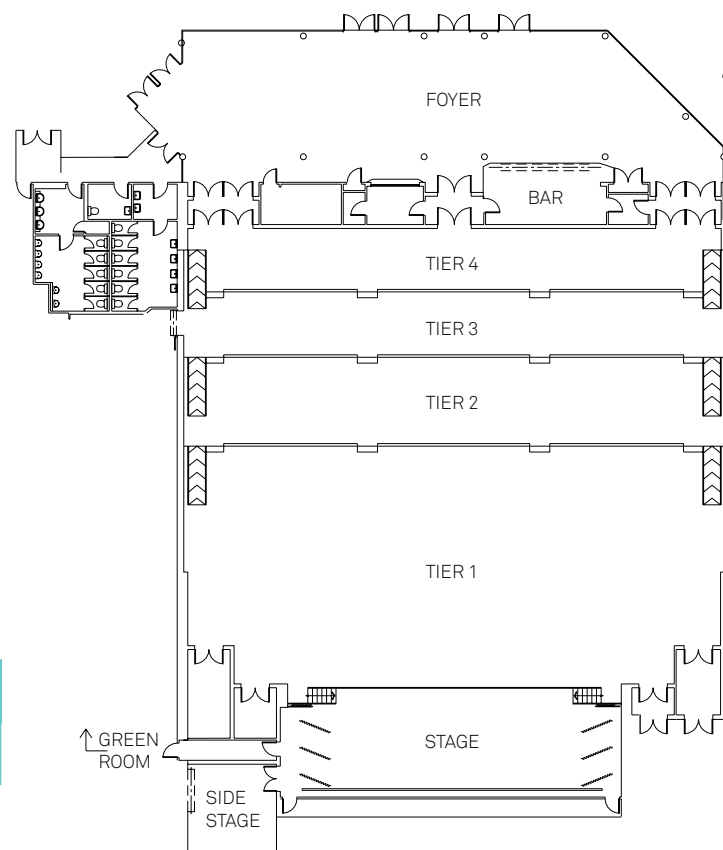
MAIN CAMPUS

University Hall.

CAPACITY
1000



- Prestigious, pillarless event venue
- Large pre-arrival event space, University Foyer
- High ceilings and large elevated stage to create the grand theatre ambience
- Versatile venue for custom design events
- In-built retractable large projection screen with ceiling mounted projector
- Green room (Level one) for performers and special guests
- On-site commercial kitchen to cater directly to the venue
- Refurbished March 2019

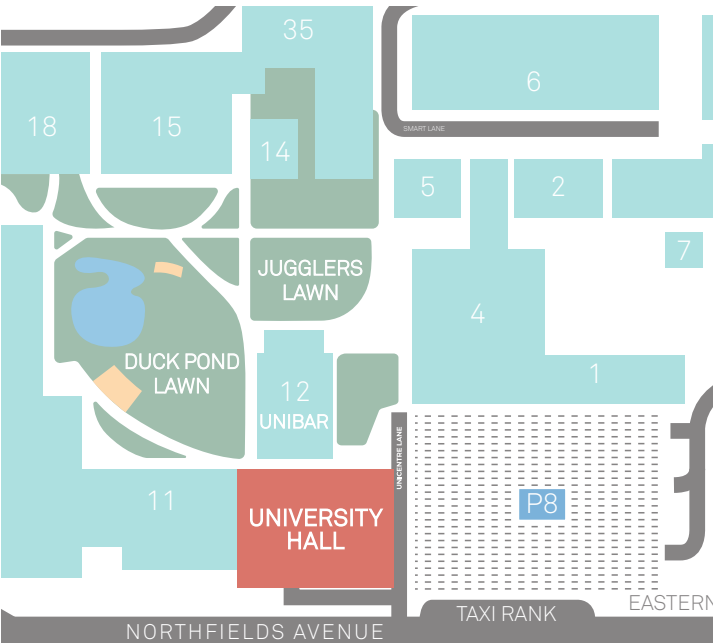


THEATRE	BANQUET	CABARET	COCKTAIL
1000	540	440	1000

University Hall Foyer.

- Pre-arrival venue for the University Hall
- Versatile space for pre-dinner drinks or intimate dinners
- Floor to ceiling glass windows with a north eastern aspect
- High ceilings with an abundance of natural day time light
- Discreet bar and food service facilities
- Refurbished March 2019

THEATRE	BANQUET	CABARET	COCKTAIL
200	140	80	200



Thought Bubble.

- Traditional, pillar-less function room
- Floor to ceiling glass windows with a north eastern aspect
- Abundance of natural light with block-out screening
- Ceiling mounted data projector and screen
- Retractable wall partisan to create additional event space
- Direct access to the Terrace outdoor breakout space
- Refurbished March 2019

THEATRE	BANQUET	CABARET
80	40	24

COCKTAIL	BOARDROOM	U SHAPE
80	30	20



CAPACITY
80

Terrace.

- Al fresco, flexible first floor terrace
- Views overlooking the Duck Pond lawn precinct
- Contemporary simplistic outdoor furniture
- Breakout space attached to the Thought Bubble
- Refurbished March 2019

CASUAL SEATING	COCKTAIL
26	80



CAPACITY
80

Exhibition Hub.

- Versatile, light filled open space
- Modern furniture and polished concrete features
- Large LCD screen
- Access to 3 additional breakout areas
- Bustling student zone
- 4 glass window office with views out to the Exhibition space

SIZE	BANQUET	CABARET	COCKTAIL
369M ²	160	80	200



The Lounge.

- Versatile, light filled open space
- Brand new flexible and multipurpose furniture
- Large projector screen
- Close proximity to the University Hall
- Chill out zone with views over the Duck Pond Lawn
- Study pod zones

SIZE	BANQUET	CABARET	COCKTAIL
462m ²	200	160	240



Ideas Centre.

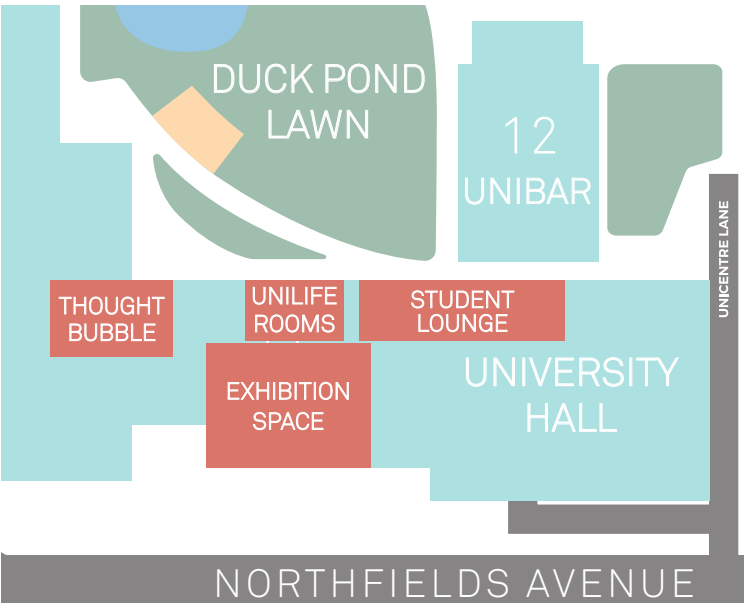
- Casual event space or breakout rooms
- Retractable partisan to create two event spaces (Brains Trust & Think Tank)

Think Tank.

- Versatile event space for casual meetings and events
- Natural daylight and elevated ceiling
- A glimpse over the Duck Pond lawn precinct

Brains Trust.

- Versatile event space for casual meetings and events
- Ceiling mounted data projector and screen
- Open, small kitchenette within space, for Aspire food and beverage station

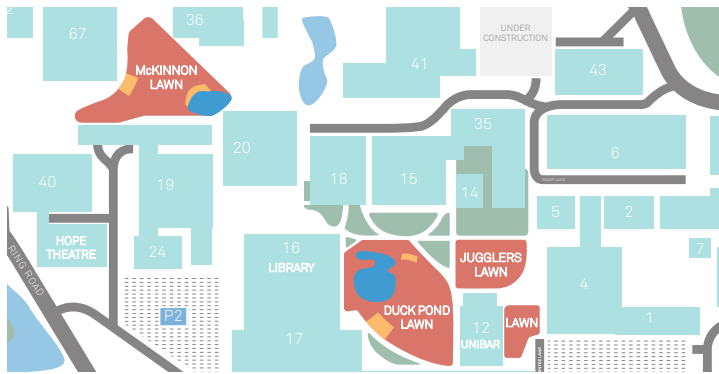


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University Lawns.

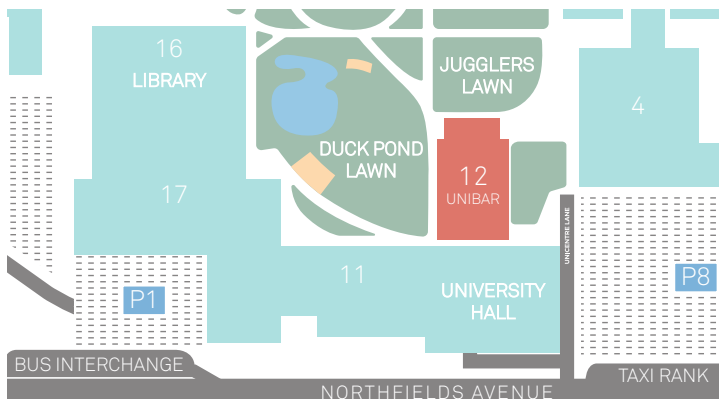
Duck Pond, McKinnon, Jugglers & Champagne Lawns.

- Four unique outdoor manicured lawns in the heart of the university precinct
- Create a casual vibe or enhance for the wow factor
- Customise food and beverage options for all styles of events
- Accessibility to build a custom marquee with timber flooring
- The options for your outdoor events are endless....



UniBar.

- The social heartbeat on campus with a welcoming, vibrant ambience
- Versatile casual spaces
- Intimate concert venue with seating capacity of 200
- Outdoor balcony featuring casual seating
- Casual food and beverage options
- Facilities for adjoining Jugglers Lawn events



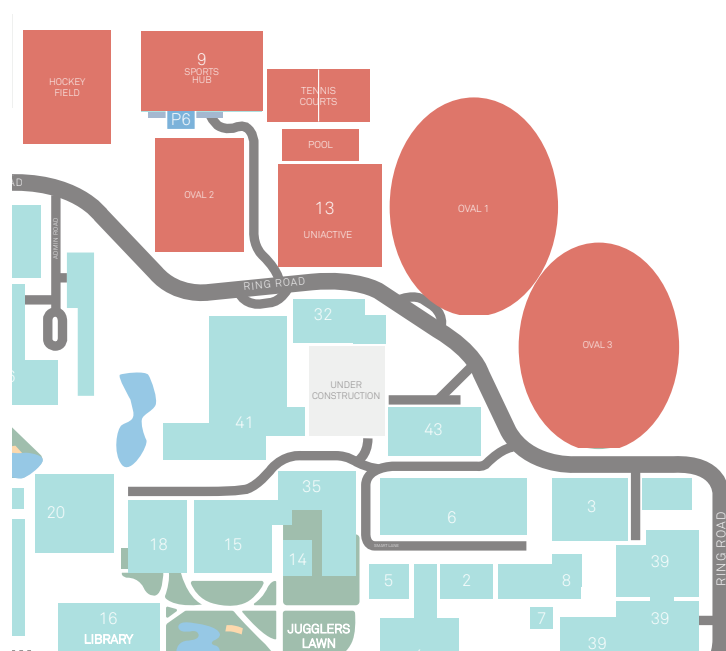
Sporting Precinct.

UniActive and Sports Hub.

- World class facilities located at the University of Wollongong and Innovation Campus
- Two air conditioned gyms
- 50m heated outdoor pool
- Basketball, badminton, squash and tennis courts
- Extensive sporting facilities and ovals
- Multi-purpose indoor sports stadium

Sports Lounge.

- Featured within the UniActive Sporting complex
- Casual, relaxed function space
- Views from the balcony over the sporting ovals
- Permanent parquetry floor feature



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INNOVATION CAMPUS

Event Centre.

(City & Ocean Room)

CAPACITY
360



The Event Centre is located on Level 2 of ‘The Central’ Building, which was the first campus building officially opened in 2008. This \$32 million glass and steel building was designed using sustainable building principles, with an innovative flow-through natural ventilation system. The building features floor to ceiling glass windows to maximise the spectacular views of this award winning picturesque campus.

- Premium Event facilities with flexibility
- Pre-arrival registration space
- Floor to ceiling glass windows with a south eastern aspect offering natural light
- Spectacular views of the campus duck pond
- Retractable projection screens
- Access to premium SmartSpace meeting rooms within The Central Building
- Unique Event spaces including The Central Atrium and Outdoor Terrace
- Dedicated commercial kitchen to service the Event Centre



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SmartSpace.



SmartSpace is redefining the way we work. This is Wollongong's premier co-working space at the heart of the thriving University of Wollongong, Innovation Campus community. The SmartSpace initiative offers premium serviced offices, co-working spaces, day suites and meeting rooms kitted out with premier telecommunications.

CAPACITIES

BOARDROOM	16
TERRACE BOARDROOM	16
TRAINING ROOM (CLASSROOM STYLE)	24
MEETING ROOM	6
ATRIUM (COCKTAIL STYLE)	300
TERRACE LANDING STRIP (COCKTAIL STYLE)	100
TERRACE (COCKTAIL STYLE)	150



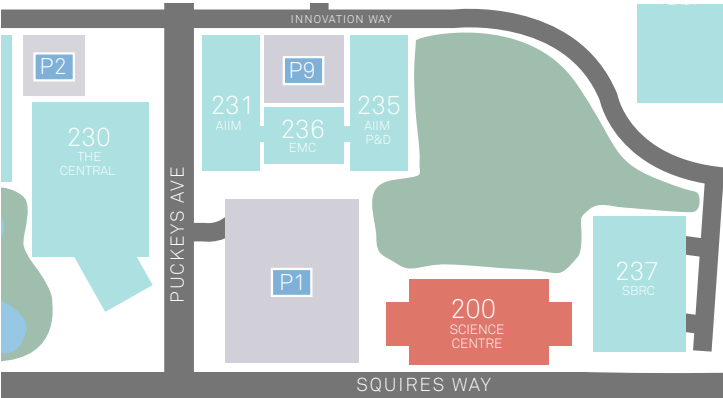
Science Space.



- Create the unique wow factor for corporate presentations in the Planetarium theatre
- Science shows, workshops and over 100 Interactive exhibits
- Hands on learning and educational experiences
- Home to the DIGISTAR 6, Australia's #1 digitally advanced Planetarium
- Flexibility to host unique events with catering
- Inspiration for what the future holds!



COCKTAIL	THEATRE	PLANETARIUM SEATED
200	112	68



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