

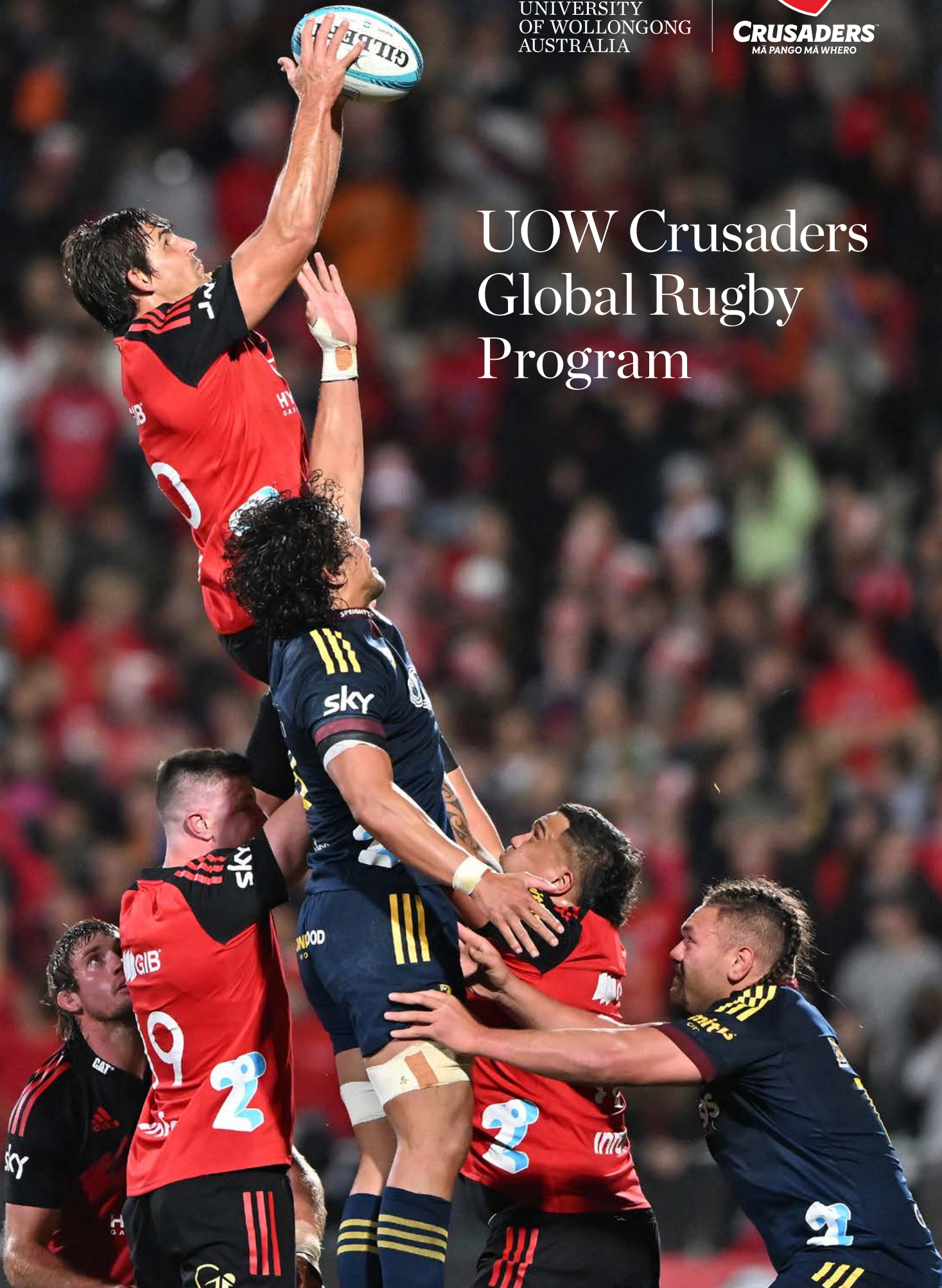


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COMMENCING FEBRUARY 2024

Receive coaching from the most successful Club in Super Rugby, while studying at a university that is ranked in the top 1% worldwide.<sup>1</sup>

The UOW Crusaders Global Rugby Program is your opportunity to step up your game, while studying a UOW degree or UOW College Australia (UOWCA) academic or English qualification at UOW's Wollongong campus.

As part of the one-year program, you will receive professional standard coaching from dedicated Crusaders coaches, who have experience at the highest level, developing and implementing programs tailored to meet the needs of individual players.

It's a unique opportunity to open up future playing and career opportunities as you learn from the best – both on the field and in the classroom.

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- Receive up to 20 hours of rugby training each week, for 36 weeks, while you study at UOW or UOWCA. Training will be scheduled around your academic timetable.
- Training will take place at the Wollongong Campus and will be delivered by the Crusaders – a Club that has produced more than 75 All Blacks, as well as coaches for Australia, New Zealand and many Super Rugby and international teams.
- Compete for playing opportunities with local clubs and selected rugby organisations.
- You may also have the opportunity to attend a Residential Player Development Program at the Crusaders Training Centre in New Zealand (cost is in addition to program fee).

[uow.edu.au/globalrugby](https://uow.edu.au/globalrugby)

## KEY DATES

- Applications open now.
- Early-Bird pricing ends on 1 December 2023. See website for more details.
- Successful applicants will also need to apply for a UOW or UOWCA program.
- The 2024 edition of the Global Rugby Program will commence on Monday 26 February 2024.

## ELIGIBILITY

- The program is open to domestic and international students studying at – or applying to study at – UOW or UOWCA Wollongong campus in 2024.
- Students applying for the UOW Crusaders Global Rugby Program must also submit a separate application to study at UOW or UOWCA, via the relevant application process.
- The Global Rugby Program will be undertaken in addition to your academic studies.
- A summary of your rugby playing career to date must be provided as part of your online application.

## SCHOLARSHIP

We have a limited number of Global Rugby Program scholarships available for students joining the program in 2024. For more info, visit:

[uow.edu.au/globalrugby/scholarship/](https://uow.edu.au/globalrugby/scholarship/)

## COSTS

In addition to any academic costs, the fee to undertake the UOW Crusaders Global Rugby Program is \$12,000 AUD per annum, per applicant.

Participants will receive:

- Full-time rugby training program content each week, for 36 weeks, scheduled around your academic study.
- Training programs composed and conducted by dedicated Crusaders coaches.
- Silver level membership to UniActive Gym at our Wollongong and Innovation campuses.
- UOW Crusaders Global Rugby Program branded gear for all on and off-field activity.
- Individualised Strength & Conditioning program to ensure you are physically prepared to take your game to the next level.
- Insurance under UOW's wider sports participation insurance policy.

When you accept your application, you will be required to pay a non-refundable deposit.

Following this, program fees are to be paid in two installments. The first payment is required prior to the start of Session 1, 2024. The second payment is required prior to the start of Session 2, 2024.

The cost of your academic degree or course is separate to the cost of the rugby program. For information about UOW or UOW College program fees, visit:

[coursefinder.uow.edu.au](https://coursefinder.uow.edu.au)  
[uowcollege.edu.au/future-students](https://uowcollege.edu.au/future-students)

1. QS World University Rankings 2021.



# About the Crusaders

The Crusaders International Academy has an outstanding track record in producing high-quality rugby players, with many going on to play for Super Rugby clubs.

In 2020, the Crusaders Academy provided 58 of the 190 contracted players across the five New Zealand Super Rugby teams.

Having won 11 Super Rugby premierships in the competition's 26-year history, as well as 16 Super Rugby finals and 20 Super Rugby semi-finals, the New Zealand-based Club are considered the most successful team in the Super Rugby Competition.

Through its individualised training programs, Crusaders will bring that same culture of excellence to Australia, helping UOW students of various playing abilities reach their best on the playing field.

## CRUSADERS VALUES

The Club has a built a successful record of performance outcomes for clubs, teams, players and coaches in 12 countries across the globe through its Crusaders International Academy.

They have achieved this through strong values, being:

- **Relentless** – Tireless and persistent in our pursuit of excellence.
- **Humble** – Modest, authentic and respectful.
- **Agile** – Progressive, innovative, smart and insightful.
- **Accountable** – Responsible and answerable.
- **Credible** – Honest, sincere and believable.
- **Connected** – To our history, to our regional Provincial Unions, to our fans, sponsors and community, and to strategic decision makers.

## WHY JOIN THE PROGRAM

### Improve your game

The program is supported by a coaching team who have experience at the highest level and can develop and implement programs which are tailor-made to meet the needs of individual players.

The program will cover all pillars of rugby development including:

- Technical aspects of rugby specific to playing position.
- Tactical knowledge of the game and game simulation.
- Position specific fitness as well as strength and conditioning.
- Wellness and nutrition programs.

### Be affiliated with a leading rugby club

The Crusaders have produced an average of 10 All Blacks a year for the past 24 years, including some of the all-time greats, such as All Black captains Richie McCaw, Kieran Read and Sam Whitelock, plus world rugby record points scorer Dan Carter.

### Make connections and open new playing opportunities

In addition to playing opportunities at local, state and national levels, you may also receive the opportunity to attend a Residential Player Development Program at the Crusaders Training Centre in New Zealand (cost is in addition to program fee).

### Become more employable

In today's highly competitive job market, employers look for graduates who stand out. Undertaking this program, alongside a UOW or UOWC course, will help you become a sought after graduate with proven skills in leadership, communication, teamwork, time management, problem-solving and above all, good work ethic. Global employers also rank UOW graduates among the top 150 in the world<sup>1</sup>, meaning your degree will be recognised and respected worldwide.



1. QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2023



# Accommodation

UOW offers a range of accommodation options conveniently located both on-campus and in the Wollongong CBD. You can also choose from Homestay or private rental options.

[uow.edu.au/accommodation](https://uow.edu.au/accommodation)

## APPLYING FOR UOW ACCOMMODATION

Applications for university residences are made online at [apply-accom.uow.edu.au](https://apply-accom.uow.edu.au). In order to secure a place in the residences, applications should be made as early as possible. A free airport pick-up service from Sydney International Airport (60 minutes away) is provided for all commencing students.

## YOUR READY-MADE COMMUNITY

Many students say one of the best parts of the university experience is living in a residence. UOW Accommodation offers a vibrant community, with students from diverse cultural backgrounds. Our residents enjoy being part of an active community, and many make friends for life.

## HOMESTAY

For those who prefer a family-oriented lifestyle, Homestays (living with a local family in a private home) are available.

For more information see: [uow.college/homestay](https://uow.college/homestay).



# About UOW

Studying at UOW is bigger than a degree. As a UOW student, you become part of one of the world’s most respected young universities. This means connecting with people, ideas and knowledge from across the globe.

Beyond Australia UOW has campuses in the United Arab Emirates, Malaysia and Hong Kong, and a presence in Singapore. Our 2,100 staff, 34,000 students and 156,000 alumni can be found in more than 170 countries.

As a university, it is our job to help address complex, real-world problems. This is achieved through our people, our technology and our excellence in research. Most importantly, it’s achieved with you – our students. Studying at UOW means learning from some of the brightest minds on the planet, who will become your mentors and inspire you to make an impact of your own.



## Top 20

14th best modern university in the world.

QS Top 50 Under 50 Rankings 2021

## Top 200

Rating for UOW graduates by global employers.

QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2022

## Top 1%

Ranked in the top 200 universities in the world

QS World University Rankings 2023

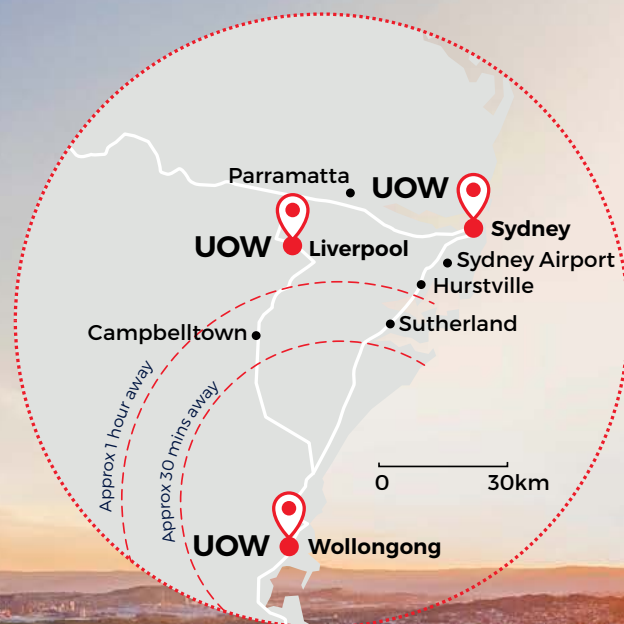




# The best place to be

# a student

From a hike in the mountains, to a swim in the ocean and all the food, shopping and culture nestled in between, there's always something happening in Wollongong. With thousands of students calling this coastal city home, it's the ideal place for you to study.

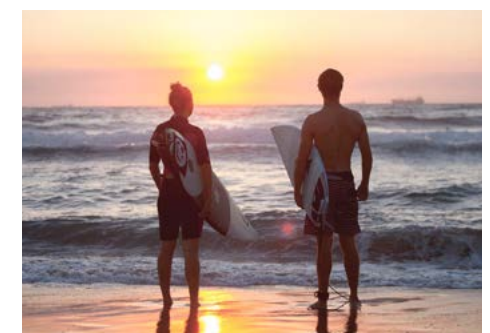


## A FULL CALENDAR

- 20+ live music venues
- 100+ bars and cafés in the city centre
- Uni nights - Wednesdays and Thursdays at many CBD venues
- 7+ major music festivals

## ON THE MENU

- Monday - \$15 Burger + Beer at Bourke St Burgers
- Tuesday - \$3.50 Taco Tuesday - Amigos
- Wednesday - Seven fitty schnitty (\$7.50) at North Gong Hotel
- Thursday - Eat Street Market in the mall
- Friday - \$5 Pizzas at Little Prince Bar



## SIZE MATTERS

- 3rd largest city in NSW
- 302,700 people living in the Wollongong region
- 3,000+ businesses in the CBD
- 4 million+ annual Wollongong visitors
- 12 art galleries

## ENDLESS FUN

- 17 patrolled beaches
- 35+ NSW National Park walking tracks
- 11 waterfalls in the region
- 19,000 plane jumpers per year with Skydive the Beach
- 18-26°C summer average
- 8-17°C winter average



# How to apply

The program is open for domestic and international students who are applying to study at UOW or UOW College Australia Wollongong campuses from 2024. Currently enrolled student can also apply.

Please note: your application to the UOW Crusaders Global Rugby Program is separate to your academic application to study at UOW or UOW College Australia.

Apply now: [uow.edu.au/globalrugby](https://uow.edu.au/globalrugby).

## International students

### STEP 1: CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY

Ensure you meet the entry requirements to study at UOW as an international student, including English language and visa requirements. Visit: [uow.edu.au/future/international/requirements](https://uow.edu.au/future/international/requirements).

### STEP 2: APPLY FOR YOUR PREFERRED COURSE.

To apply to study at UOW:  
[uow.edu.au/future/international](https://uow.edu.au/future/international).

To apply to study an academic or English language qualification, or access pathway programs which assist with fulfilling UOW entry requirements, apply to study at UOW College Australia: [uowcollege.edu.au/future-students/international](https://uowcollege.edu.au/future-students/international).

### STEP 3: APPLY FOR THE RUGBY PROGRAM.

Complete the online UOW Crusaders Global Rugby Program application form at [uow.edu.au/globalrugby](https://uow.edu.au/globalrugby).

- Provide a summary of your rugby playing career as part of your application, including names and contact details of relevant coaches/associations.
- Attach a resume, document or optional link to a video which demonstrates your rugby experience.

## FIND OUT MORE

[uow.edu.au/globalrugby](https://uow.edu.au/globalrugby)

Email: [uow-crusaders@uow.edu.au](mailto:uow-crusaders@uow.edu.au)

Phone: 1300 367 869

International: +61 2 4221 3218

## Domestic students

### STEP 1: APPLY FOR YOUR PREFERRED COURSE.

To apply to study at UOW: [uow.edu.au/apply](https://uow.edu.au/apply).

To access pathway programs which assist with fulfilling UOW entry requirements, apply to study at UOW College Australia: [uowcollege.edu.au/apply](https://uowcollege.edu.au/apply).

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