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THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

ON-CAMPUS NEWS

5 Stars for UNSW

UNSW is considered Australia's leading international university, with over 10,000 international students representing 127 nationalities and is consistently ranked among the World's Top 50 universities (THES-QS 2008).

- ▶ Overall Ranking: 45th in the World
- ▶ Employer Review: 17th in the World
- ▶ The Faculty of Engineering is the largest Engineering School in Australia and ranked 1st in Australia
- ▶ The Australian School of Business is the largest Business School in Australia with its School of Accounting ranked #1 in the World (US Journal of Accounting and Finance Research -2007) and the AGSM MBA ranked 1st in Australia and Asia (Forbes 2008)

UNSW achieved the maximum 5 star ratings in 11 performance indicators in the '2009 Good Universities Guide' (more than any other Australian university) in the following areas:

- ▶ Graduate starting salaries
- ▶ Student success in gaining full-time employment
- ▶ Positive Graduate Outcomes
- ▶ Teaching Quality
- ▶ Student-staff ratio
- ▶ Staff Qualifications
- ▶ International Enrolments
- ▶ Research Grants
- ▶ Acquisition of generic skills
- ▶ Research intensivity
- ▶ Cultural Diversity
- ▶ Major boost to research capacity

UNSW has won the largest share of any Australian university in the latest round of Federal Government research funding, receiving 15 percent of the \$31.6 million on offer under the Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities (LIEF) Projects scheme.

UNSW won more than \$4.7 million in new equipment and facilities for a range of projects including the testing of motor vehicles for their safety during rollovers; new ways of designing materials and

Message from the In-Country Manager

As we gear up for 2009, I take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a very peaceful and prosperous New Year. 2008 has been a challenging year to say the least. We have faced a slowing global economy and shocking terrorist attacks. Within the education industry we have had to accommodate stricter visa regulations. On the positive side, however, UNSW in India has secured an independent location in South Mumbai!

We may not have been as frequent with our news updates last year but in 2009 we look to amending this. This first issue aims at keeping you updated on The University which has done quite well in maintaining its global rankings, highlighting some of our alumni achievements and of course giving you a flavor of some local news as well.

As always, we look forward to your feedback and support.
Shireen Ardeshir, Country Manager

drugs; sophisticated genetic studies aimed at developing medical, agricultural and biological discoveries; and the search for planets elsewhere in the Universe.

The largest amount awarded to UNSW was \$1 million to a team of researchers in the field of nanotechnology for the development of novel materials,

polymers and drugs. The money will be used to purchase a high field solid state and multinuclear NMR spectrometer.

Another team was awarded \$950,000 for a new genomics facility to undertake environmental, medical and evolutionary studies based on recent advances in DNA sequencing.

LOCAL NEWS

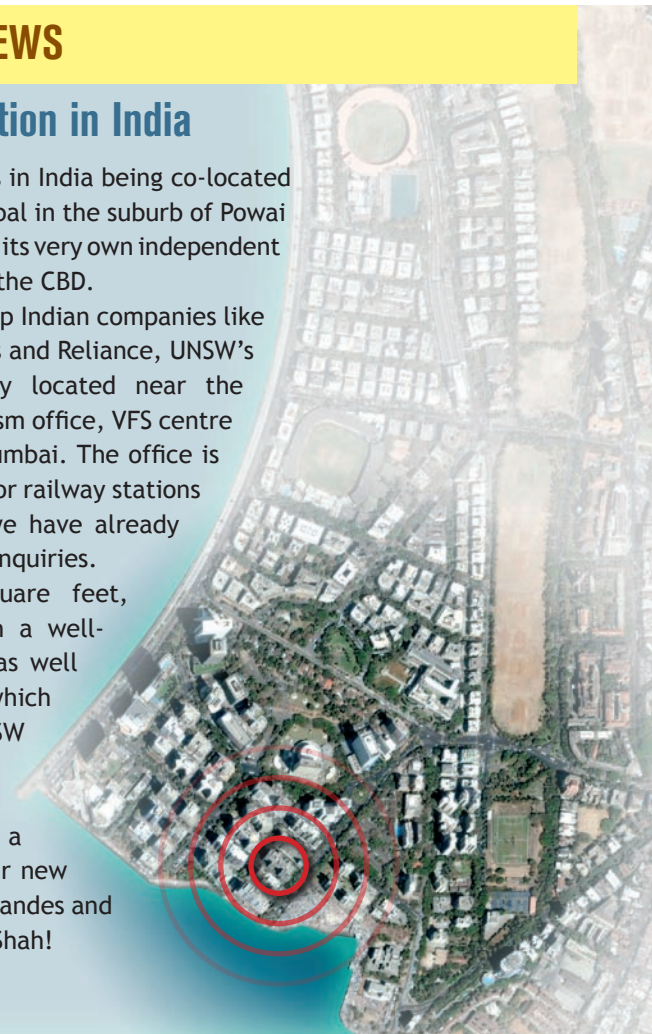
UNSW - a new location in India

After 2 years of operations in India being co-located with our partner U21 Global in the suburb of Powai in Mumbai, UNSW now has its very own independent location at Nariman Point in the CBD.

With neighbors including top Indian companies like The Tata Group of Companies and Reliance, UNSW's India Office is conveniently located near the Australian Trade office, Tourism office, VFS centre and our agent network in Mumbai. The office is very accessible from the major railway stations and in only three months we have already seen an increase in walk-in enquiries.

Measuring about 690 square feet, the office is complete with a well-equipped conference room as well as student access points which allow students to surf UNSW online and even apply on-line.

The office is staffed by a wonderful team including our new marketing officer, Alisha Fernandes and new office manager, Zarana Shah!



ALUMNI NEWS

UNSW World – Get your copy now!

The November 2008 issue of UNSWorld is full of interesting articles and news from The University on UNSW research advances and on UNSW alumni around the world. Read about:

- ▶ Olympic visionaries: Our architects and engineers helped to build Beijing's success
- ▶ Justice Michael Kirby: On the quest for cure for HIV/AIDS
- ▶ Reinventing waste: How UNSW Innovators work with industry to find solutions
- ▶ Our outstanding alumni - Warwick Negus and Erin Cini

- ▶ Stay connected with a range of ongoing benefits ... and much more



Online Community

The best way to stay in touch with UNSW is to keep your contact details up-to-date, so that we can send you information about the University and alumni activities in your area.

Update your contact details to stay connected via the update form, so you receive the alumni magazine - UNSWorld - and ensure that your children are eligible for Alumni Scholarships and Awards: <http://www.unsw.edu.au/alumni/pad/alconnected.html>

Contact the UNSW Alumni Association via email at alumni@unsw.edu.au

Alumni Award Winners Honored

Winners of the 2007 Alumni Awards were honored at a special presentation ceremony held at UNSW in March last year. UNSW Chancellor David Gonski AC and Vice-Chancellor Professor Fred Hilmer AO attended the ceremony, which recognized the outstanding achievements of UNSW alumni in the areas of Business and Commerce, Science and Technology, Arts and Law, and in the Community at Large.

The winners of the 2007 UNSW Alumni Association Alumni Awards are:

- ▶ Paul Cave, BCom (1969). Mr Cave is best known as the founder of BridgeClimb, an iconic company he launched in 1989.
- ▶ Dr Zhengrong Shi, BSc 1983 (Jilin), MSc 1986 (Shanghai), PhD 1992 (UNSW). Dr Shi is the Chairman of the Board and CEO of Suntech Power Co Ltd, the fourth largest photovoltaics manufacturer in the world.



Dr Zhengrong Shi

- ▶ Juliet Bourke, BA 1986, LLB 1988 (UNSW), LLM (Hons) 1998 (Syd). Ms Bourke has actively worked to improve outcomes for disadvantaged and vulnerable employees via legal and social policy reforms.
- ▶ Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, BA (Hons) 1979, MA 1982 (Wellington), PhD 1989 (UNSW). A leading adolescent psychologist, Dr Carr-Gregg is an official ambassador for the National Depression Initiative, BeyondBlue.

For more information on the 2007 winners, visit: <http://www.unsw.edu.au/alumni/pad/alumniawards.html>

LOCAL NEWS (Continued)

UNSW & India

Following an educational delegation led by the Sheriff of Mumbai, Dr. Indu Shahani, to UNSW in early December, 2008, a team of safety and risk experts from the University of New South Wales will arrive in Mumbai to assess the systemic failures which allowed a small group of terrorists to bring a city of some 18 million people to a standstill.

The visit by leading academics from UNSW's School of Risk and Safety Sciences and the NSW Injury Risk Management Research Centre follows a new co-operation agreement between UNSW and the University of Mumbai, which has one of the world's largest networks of campuses with some 600,000 students spread across hundreds of city colleges.

UNSW has signed an interim Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Mumbai which will look at partnering with Indian academics in developing strategies for addressing external threats across the extensive campus network and its environs.

The MOU will pave the way for greatly expanded links in a range of key areas of expertise at UNSW including safety science, risk management and counter-terrorism, nanotechnology, biotechnology and solar energy. UNSW is also planning to introduce Hindi language classes, as part of an expanding Indian studies program.

Your feedback:

What did you think about the newsletter? Would you like to comment on or contribute to any of our articles? Would you like to know more on any particular issue? Don't hesitate, let us know your feedback by writing to us at infoindia@unsw.edu.au

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