

SURVIVING UNIVERSITY

STUDYING

- Do it. It helps.
- If you don't know how, or you're stumped about writing an essay or report, visit the Learning Skills Centre. It might seem like that takes away from precious socialising/procrastinating time, but it'll pay off later.
- If you think you'll need books for an upcoming assignment, get into the library early. Yeah, you might seem like a power-nerd, but competition can be fierce, and there's nothing more satisfying than denying your fellow students the resources they might want or need.
- If you do happen to miss out on books, try Google Books. Saved our hides on many an occasion.

- Get a locker. Get it now if you want a good one. It's first-come, first-served, so chuck a padlock on one to claim your territory. The main areas are under the Central Library and in the S Lecture Theatre Block, but you might find them in other places as well. Leave yourself an emergency fiver in there for that inevitable day when your EFTPOS card returns that dreaded "Declined" message.
- If you're in the library studying late, you can always hit up a vending machine for a drink or snack. You can find them under the Central Library, in the UCSA entrance, near the Law Café (Alibi), in the Commerce Building basement, in the Psych Building foyer, in the Engineering Building, and probably in some surprising places elsewhere.
- If you need to find something, check out the map in this very diary, or check out the uni website.

MASTERING CAMPUS

SAVING CASH

- Bottled water is expensive. Christchurch tap water is pretty good. There are drinking fountains in various places around the libraries; ask library staff to point them out. We like the one in the Law Library the most.
- Photocopying will cost you a few cents per page. Scanning won't. If you're running particularly low on funds, scan the pages you need from that in-demand book instead.
- If you're cellphone-less or just want to save on credit, you can use the phones in the UCSA foyer to make free local calls. If there are other people waiting, try and keep calls to three minutes – we know it's important to plan where you're going to drink with your mates or to check what your mum is cooking for tea, but be cool.

- If you're looking for a place to park your pride and joy '89 Civic, be sure you get in to uni early. Even if you've got a parking permit (you'll need one, by the way – get it from under the main library or the Security Office), parks disappear quickly most days. If you miss out, you can try and hunt for one on the streets surrounding campus, but be careful: lots of these have parking restrictions during the hours of the typical uni day, and you don't want to aggravate the neighbours. They can brandish a rolled-up newspaper
- Of course, you can take the more eco- and health-friendly option of cycling to uni. There are a bunch of cycling services and facilities on campus, including secure cycle stands, air pumps, lockers, and showers. Check out UC Sustainability for more info.
- Unicycles are pretty swish if you're the sort of person who can pull that look off.

GETTING AROUND

LECTURE TIMETABLE

SEMESTER 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8am					
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