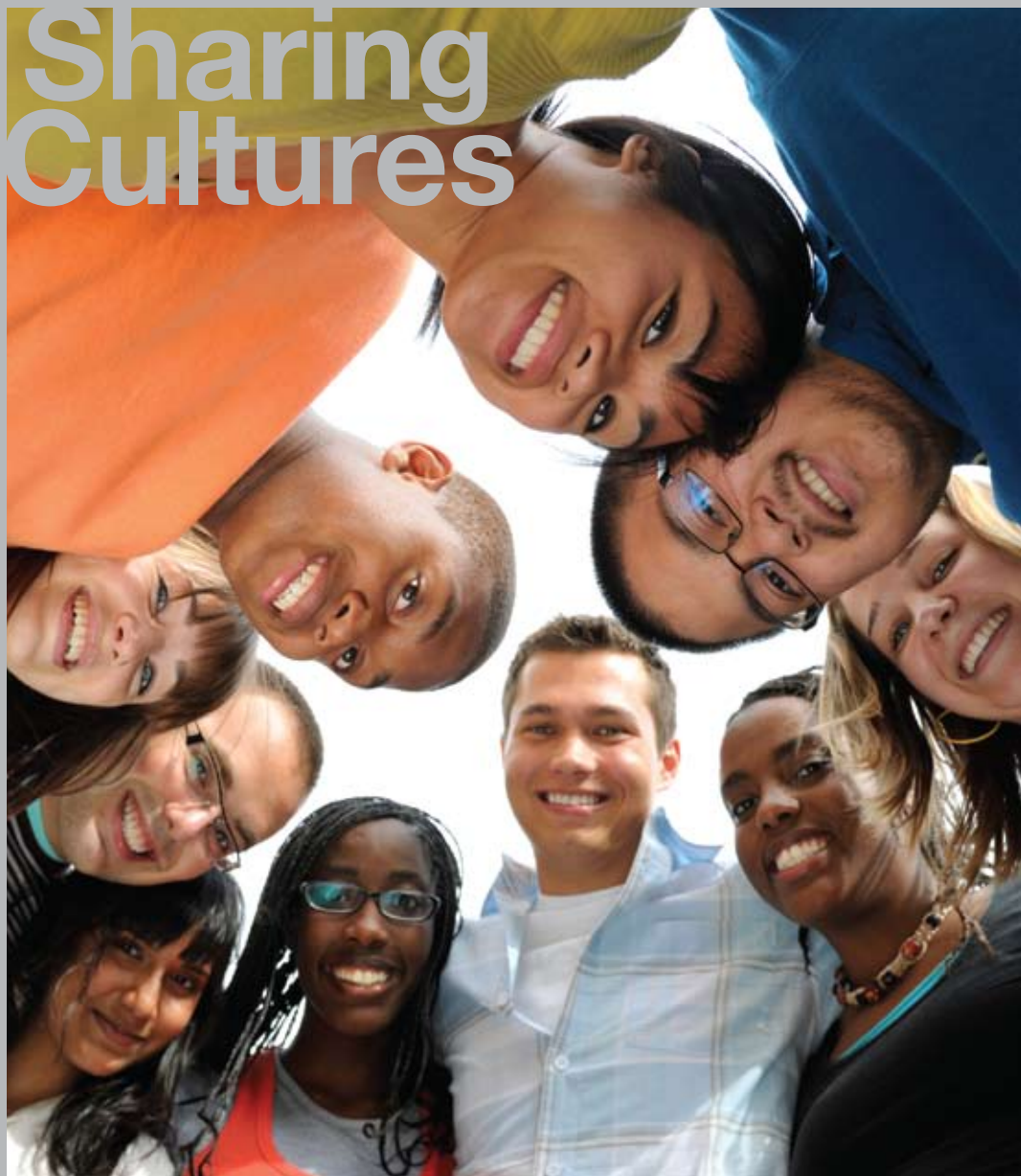


International
Houses Worldwide



Sharing Cultures





International Houses Worldwide is an affiliation of International Houses from across the continents, united by one mission:

To provide students of different nationalities and diverse cultures with the opportunity to live and learn together in a community of mutual respect, understanding and international friendship.

The 15 International Houses spread across the world are separate, independent, non-profit making institutions united by one mission. All I Houses provide long and short term accommodation offering great value, a fun and friendly atmosphere and a safe environment.

All I Houses give young people the opportunity to live and learn in a multicultural environment. An ambiance that nurtures understanding, dialogue and friendship enables cultural gaps to be bridged. At every I House worldwide, people with vastly divergent beliefs learn to accept differences in thought and tradition. Here they acquire intercultural skills that enhance their capacity as future leaders in the global community.

The International House movement was founded back in the early 1900s due to the plight of international students, be that inadequate housing or simply loneliness, being highlighted by some chance meetings.

In Philadelphia Dr. Waldo Stevenson (a missionary), began entertaining foreign students in his modest apartment and by 1910, the work had expanded so much that he took the case to the Christian Association, the project grew further and International House Philadelphia was born.

Harry Edmonds decided to investigate the situation of foreign students having bumped into a Chinese student in New York City and with the funding and support of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., the first purpose built International House opened in New York in 1924.

I House	Start Date	Size (Beds)	Diversity (Nationalities)	Page Number
Philadelphia	1910	400	80	14
New York	1924	700	100	12
Paris	1925	5700	140	13
Berkeley	1930	575	70	06
Chicago	1932	450	50	08
Washington DC	1936	100	40	17
Melbourne	1957	275	35	11
Brisbane	1965	240	35	07
London	1965	700	100	10
Sydney	1967	200	43	16
Auckland	1969	170	30	05
Wollongong	1980	218	30	18
Darwin	1985	270	44	09
San Diego	1988	350	30	15
Alberta	2004	154	45	04



An intentional community built upon respect and openness that fosters global citizenship, socially responsible leadership and enduring friendships.

Opened in 2004, the House is home to 154 Canadian and international students from over 40 countries. Active student leaders, resident assistants and our Global Education Program plan over 100 social and educational events annually. Residents enjoy feasts, cultural events, simulations, intercultural training and meeting distinguished visitors. Daily interactions create a vibrant sense of community as residents spend time together in the kitchens and lounges, play intramural soccer, dance, engage in leadership training, write for the newsletter and even climb mountains.



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International House offers housing to students at the University of Alberta, one of Canada's leading research and teaching institutions, with 37,000 students. The University of Alberta has 18 academic Faculties with 200 undergraduate and 170 graduate programs that rank among the best in the world.



International House at the University of Auckland is home to 172 residents from New Zealand and from all over the world. The House was opened in 1969, sponsored partly by the New Zealand Government through the Colombo Plan and partly by the University of Auckland. I House Auckland is fully operated by the University and has residents from 1st year undergraduate through to PhD level. Many social, sporting and cultural activities are organised within the House by an active Residents Association and the possibilities for social interaction are many and varied. The House has pleasant outdoor surroundings and is ideally situated within walking distance of the City Campus of the University of Auckland. It is well equipped with an all weather tennis/basketball court, squash court, music room, library and dark room.

I House Auckland has a full meal plan and the dining room is the focus of daily interaction between our residents. All meals are served with the cultural needs of our residents being paramount. Formal dinners are held throughout the year with guest speakers ranging from politicians, sports people and academics to distinguished alumni, provoking vigorous discussion.

Our mission statement says that the House is founded on the core values of tolerance, respect, cultural understanding and caring for each other.

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Inspiring Leaders for Global Understanding

I House Berkeley is a vibrant residential and program center affiliated with the U.S.'s top-ranked public University, thriving on the diversity and energy of California's San Francisco Bay area.

Primarily a graduate residence hall for UC Berkeley students, I House also accommodates postdoctoral and visiting scholars, as well as senior or junior undergraduate students in its stunning historic facility that boasts modern amenities.

Short-term visitors are welcome to rent one of two furnished guest suites. The House is open year-round for academic year and summer session residents.

I House is home to 575 students from across the world and throughout the U.S., as well as more than 100 intercultural events annually.

Residents of I House enjoy:

- Field trips locally and across California
- Films, lectures, and music concerts
- Dance classes and performances
- Culturally themed coffee hours and meals
- Optional workshops in leadership and navigating cultures
- On-site library, dining commons, computer and game rooms, and café

I House welcomes those who wish to tour our facility, enjoy a meal in our café or dining commons, rent space for special events, or participate in our programs. Find out more at ihouse.berkeley.edu

Our mission since 1930:

Fostering cross-cultural respect, understanding, lifelong friendships and leadership skills for the promotion of a more tolerant and peaceful world.

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In 1955, as part of the 50th Anniversary of Rotary International, Rotarian Bert Martin embarked on a program to build an International House in Brisbane. It was opened in 1965 with 50 residents. Today, International House Brisbane provides fully catered accommodation for 200 undergraduate students and self catered accommodation for 40 post graduate students. The single occupant study/bedrooms are available to International and Australian students attending the University of Queensland.

International House operates as a social enterprise a 'Community for Understanding' and is underpinned by four platforms:

- Being sustainable,
- Being culturally diverse, aware and inclusive,
- Being socially engaged and responsible, and
- Being supportive (of residents).

For each of these platforms IH coordinates a range of activities and events including:

- Eco-friendly policy and program
- Soirée (annual multicultural festival)
- Tabiat Selasa (Tuesday's Habit of cultural, sporting, social, and environmental projects)
- I-Feast and I-Festivals e.g. mid autumn
- Bara Khanas (formal dinners celebrating achievement and culture)
- Projects for Peace – Milpera and Mbabanga
- Annual Peace and Understanding Lecture
- Pastoral and Academic program
- Resident Leadership program
- Rewards and awards program

The College aims to build partnerships and alliances, through the International House Foundation and our Alumni, with organizations in the wider community that espouse and are consistent with our social mission.

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Host to the World

International House of Chicago is a dynamic residential and program center for nearly 500 students and scholars from over fifty countries who attend colleges and universities throughout Chicago. Founded in 1932 by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., International House is one of four such Houses throughout the world. The mission of International House is to promote cross-cultural understanding, mutual respect and friendship among students and scholars and, on the part of the people of metropolitan Chicago, toward individuals of all nations and backgrounds. The Residential Fellowship Program helps ensure the exceptional geographic, cultural and economic diversity that is central to the mission of International House and the University of Chicago. Each year, International House offers approximately 60 fellowships to students from around the world.



In addition to our residents, International House serves the greater Chicago community as a cultural and intellectual center for a wide array of programs. Over 100 public programs are held each year at International House. These include music and cultural performances, outreach programs with Chicago-area international organizations, collaborations with foreign consulates, language exchanges and discussions, and forums and debates led by distinguished guest speakers through our Global Voices Program.

The role and mission of International House are more compelling now than ever. An increasingly interdependent world has made multicultural awareness and understanding an essential attribute for all our communities. International House in its role as "Host to the World," makes an important contribution to the intellectual and cultural fabric of the entire City of Chicago.

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The first accommodation buildings at Charles Darwin University were constructed on campus in 1985, initially housing 60 students at what was then known as the Northern Territory University. Today student accommodation for the Darwin campus of Charles Darwin University is provided exclusively on-campus at North Flinders International House (NFIH), for around 300 residents, both undergraduate and postgraduate. Residents come to NFIH from around Australia and around the globe to study a range of programs from vocational through to doctoral level.

NFIH aims to provide a dynamic and modern living environment which is affordable and sustainable for student living. Excellence and academic achievement are encouraged as is personal growth through a range of opportunities for valuable social and cultural experiences by both domestic and international students.

In support of the above, NFIH runs an Orientation program and a Resident Leader program. Resident Leaders provide role model support within the community and each coordinates a committee or club encouraging a diversity of extracurricular interests such as cooking, outdoor activities, environmental care, community service, creative arts, yearbook journalism and international cultural events. There is also a seminar program which supports personal safety and development.

Many happy memories and life-long friendships are made in the harmonious and multidimensional community at NFIH. With destinations like Litchfield and Kakadu National Parks and the Australian outback at your doorstep, there are so many wonderful experiences for those who venture to Australia's most northern shores to share in the tropical lifestyle at NFIH, Charles Darwin University.



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International Students House



International Students House (ISH) is a student residence and a unique social, cultural and recreational centre in London.

ISH is a charity with the sole aim of improving international understanding and friendship. ISH provides a wide programme of events for students 365 days a year. Located in the safe neighbourhood of Regent's Park, ISH is a central place to meet students from Britain and around the world. ISH has become a 'home away from home' for many students, the many facilities and our fun and friendly environment make ISH the perfect place to spend your time in London.

ISH was opened at Great Portland Street by our first patron, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother in 1965 and has grown from strength to strength with over 600 residents, comprised of students and their partners and children, from more than 100 countries and student members in excess of 60,000. Our current patron is HRH The Princess Royal.

International Students House offers long term accommodation for full time students in London. With beds in single, twin and multi bed rooms we also offer self-contained flats that are located in zone one in close proximity to many educational institutions. Telephones, fridges and broadband internet access are available in all rooms. We also offer accommodation for couples and families in our flats at Blain House in Balham, South London.

ISH represents a home to the world and is a place to meet and make lifelong friends.

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International House at the University of Melbourne was a bold initiative conceived by a group of Asian and Australian University of Melbourne students and staff.

International House has evolved since its first student intake in 1957, offering not only a residence and a melting pot of culture, but also educational and practical support in the form of tutorial programs, social and sporting activities and networking opportunities.

International House, the University of Melbourne is now home to around 275 students from approximately 30 different nationalities.

International House is as relevant today and it was when the first students lived here and will continue to serve as an inspiration to embrace difference and celebrate diversity.

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Envisioned by Harry Edmonds and opened in 1924 through the generosity of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. and the Cleveland H. Dodge Family, International House is a vibrant community of 700 graduate students, interns, trainees and visiting scholars from more than 100 countries, including the U.S., each year. I House residents study, train or conduct research at more than 100 academic and professional institutions in New York in fields as varied as physics, law, finance and dance.

Its mission is to enable its resident members to live and learn together, building lifelong qualities of leadership, mutual respect and friendship by daily interaction through programs and residential life designed to foster diversity of thought and experience. The House offers an immersion in cross-cultural understanding and communication that no classroom by itself can provide.

International House offers educational programs which complement graduate study, facilitate intercultural exchange, and provide leadership training across cultures. Scholarship opportunities, aimed at achieving maximum diversity in the community, are also available. Members are defined by their energy, idealism and interest in other cultures. In this exciting social and intellectual atmosphere, lifelong friendships and professional ties are forged.

Located in the Morningside Heights section of Manhattan by Riverside Park, convenient to a multitude of academic and cultural institutions and public transportation, I House offers a variety of living options including single dorm-style rooms, apartment shares, and studio and one-bedroom apartments. Facilities include a dining room, pub, auditorium, gymnasium, fitness center, music practice rooms, guest rooms, computer lab, Internet access and 24-hour reception.

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The 'Cité Internationale Universitaire de Paris' is located in Paris. The 'Cité Internationale' has 40 houses, each of which boasts its own identity, and annually hosts 10,000 students, researchers, artists and competitive athletes from over 140 different countries in a unique living environment. The 'Cité' was founded in the aftermath of World War I as a result of the vision and will of some exceptional figures in French public life; the Houses belong to the Universities of Paris, heiress of the Sorbonne.

The International House was built in the 1930s and officially opened in 1936. It was the fourth International House after New York (1924), Berkeley (1930) and Chicago (1932). It was funded by a grant from philanthropist John D. ROCKEFELLER Jr.

Apart from providing accommodation, the 'Cité Internationale' offers residents comprehensive leisure, catering and library and computer facilities. The 'Cité' also seeks to facilitate the stay of its guests and enhance their experience of living together by running a forum for interaction and high-level debates. At the heart of the 'Cité Internationale' complex, the 'Maison Internationale' offers a wide array of possibilities for organising events (colloquia, seminars, conferences, receptions, etc.).

During the summer, the 'Cité Internationale' continues to support the international policy of its partner institutions. It plays host to organisations wishing to run summer schools, colloquia, seminars, etc. and to groups seeking to improve their knowledge of a particular subject and explore Paris.

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Founded 100 years ago in 1910, International House Philadelphia is an independent, non-profit organization housing nearly 400 students, scholars and interns from over 80 countries, including the US. We provide a unique residential experience that supports their development as future leaders by offering a full spectrum of programs that create individuals able to work and interact successfully with people from all backgrounds. To support both our residents and the Greater Philadelphia community, IHP has long been the premiere presenter of international arts, humanities and cultural programs.

International House Philadelphia is a multicultural residential center, a source of distinctive programming, and the embodiment of an ideal. Our critical three-fold mission: to maintain a diverse and welcoming community for scholars from around the world, while introducing them to the American experience; to broaden the horizons of its residents and the larger community through high quality international arts and humanities programs, and to encourage cooperation and respect among the peoples of all nations.



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International House at UC San Diego was founded in 1988 in association with Eleanor Roosevelt College. International House is a wonderfully vibrant on-campus community dedicated to the promotion of international awareness and intercultural understanding at UCSD and around the world. All UCSD students, faculty, staff and community friends are welcome to get involved in our programs.

Roughly 350 people from over 30 countries choose to make I House their home each year. Residents are made up of approximately half U.S. and half international undergraduates, graduates and visiting scholars. Our facility is comprised of a Great Hall, four classrooms and four residential 'houses' creating a neighborhood centered around International Walk (I-Walk).

Connecting the apartments, "bridge units" house staff and visiting scholars. All resident apartments face I-Walk providing a community village-like space for residents in meet and congregate.

Over 200 annual formal and informal programs provide opportunities to exchange ideas and learn about different cultures. I House affirms that you can have transformative and impactful international experiences abroad or right at home, and that living and learning with others is a powerful form of education.

"The purpose of life is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience." - Eleanor Roosevelt

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Live the World... Share the World

International House, The University of Sydney, is home to an exceptional residential community of 200 scholars from Australia and many other countries around the world.

More than simply accommodation for undergraduate and postgraduate students, visiting scholars and academics, the House offers a unique experience in a mature living environment where people of the world develop a greater understanding and appreciation of different cultures and nationalities.



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The International Student House of Washington, DC, provides an exceptional residential experience to a highly diverse international community of graduate students, interns, and visiting scholars.

The House operates with an ethos that respects and encourages diversity of thought. It fosters an atmosphere of listening and participating, offering a potentially transforming view of the world which will inform their life's work. It nurtures cross-cultural thinking and assumes readiness to look beyond the residents' own experience, qualities that are required for the essential leadership in the world for which they are preparing.

No other facility in Washington offers young pre-professionals and future global leaders a comparable alternative to arriving in the city "cold" and making their way on their own. The International Student House maximizes what might otherwise be a missed opportunity to promote intercultural relations and the critical understanding that will follow.



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International House is the original University of Wollongong residence and an affiliate of the 15 International Houses Worldwide. First opening its doors to students in 1980, today this residence proudly boasts a community representing over 30 nations, living and learning peacefully under the one roof.

The mission of International House is to promote global well being by enabling its residents to be intercultural leaders. Intercultural leaders understand cultural differences and help others to understand their differences and build international friendships.

Global wellbeing starts here!

International House offers a vibrant and culturally diverse support network for its students, with a widely varied calendar of activities, which, through participation, strong cross-cultural friendships are formed. Through the award winning iLIVE program, a range of activities is held on a regular basis

and includes BYO Academic, iFeast, Meet the Teach, Tuesday Topicals, Global Voices and Farewell Formals. Involvement in such events offers all residents the opportunity to enjoy an enriched community where they can share in different cultures and customs and form bonds with students from all over the world.

Student Residence Managers Dr Lindsay Oades and Alison Hemsley were recently awarded a Vice-Chancellors General Staff Award for Outstanding Contribution to Teaching and Learning for the iLIVE Program at International House.

International House Turns 30

In 1980 International House became the first University of Wollongong student residence. In 2010, to mark 30 Years of International House, the International House Global Wellbeing Residential scholarships are being launched.

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