

THE UNSW STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT PROVIDES NEW SELF CONTAINED ACCOMMODATION ON A 1.8 HA SITE LOCATED ALONG HIGH STREET, KENSINGTON AND SITUATED WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS.





## UNSW Village

### Project Details

Client: Campus Living Villages  
 Location: Kensington, NSW  
 Approx. Value: \$90m  
 Floor Area: 32 000 m<sup>2</sup>

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### Awards

Australian Institute of Architects (NSW)  
 Residential Architecture, Multiple  
 Housing Award, 2010

Australian Institute of Architects  
 National Commendation Residential  
 Architecture, Multiple Housing, 2010

Randwick City Council Urban Design  
 Awards, Sustainability + Multi-unit  
 Housing Awards, 2010

MBA (NSW) Integrated Housing Award,  
 2010

UDIA (NSW) Austral Bricks Awards for  
 Excellence, Sustainable Development  
 Award, 2010

The UNSW Student Housing Project provides new self contained accommodation on a 1.8 ha site located along High Street, Kensington and situated within the university campus.

Providing a total of 240 self contained units comprising 1021 bedrooms, together with a range of common facilities, this proposal promotes the character of the campus and provides a considered balance between the busy, urban spaces for gathering and community connectivity, transition spaces and quiet, contemplative spaces more closely related to this residential precinct.

The proposal is sensitive to, and respects, the heritage significance of the Fig Tree Theatre, Old Tote Building and White House and courtyard space (Old Tote Courtyard).

The bulk of the building complex is placed within the 'thin plan' 8 storey wings that run north south. This configuration allows the density and bulk to be reduced towards the boundaries and to the main entry courtyards at the east and west end of the site.

Sustainability is at the core of the design. The principles and technologies employed include cross ventilation and natural daylighting to all spaces, insulated walls and roofs, solar hot water, grey water reuse for laundries, orientation and sunshading, vented floor slabs, and rainwater storage.