



Welcome!

We wish everyone a joyous festive season and a happy New Year. Many students may be going "home" to the country or overseas, so travel safely and enjoy time with your family. We trust suitable arrangements have been made regarding your semester "homes" while you are away.

Database News

Housing providers may consider re-listing their property details in readiness for the busy 2011 intake of new students. Mid January to mid March are the busiest times for housing!

To list a new property or to re-list or amend your housing listing, go to:

<http://swinburne.studystays.com.au/>

Instructions for re-listing can be found on page two of this newsletter.

Contact a Swinburne Housing Adviser if you require assistance with the database.

Housing Office News

After twelve years of splendid service *Susan Barnes* from Hawthorn Campus has made a career change and entered the real estate industry! Many thanks, *Susan*, for your expert housing knowledge and your advocacy for students over the years.

Swinburne closes for Christmas on 25th December and reopens for business on 4th January 2011. There will be some Housing Staff returning on 4th January 2011 to activate property listings which are "awaiting approval".

Housing providers and students seeking off-campus accommodation should be cautious about accepting money orders from overseas for accommodation paid in advance or sending money to unknown sources. For further information refer to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission [SCAMwatch web page](#).

Harmony@Home newsletter feedback can be sent to the editor, jansimmons@swin.edu.au

Accommodation Trends

So, how does my property rate? For your information the following tables provide feedback about database usage.

Listings added by weekly rental price:

Weekly rental price	Listings added ?	% of total
less than \$100	19	6.4%
\$100-120	21	7%
\$120-140	55	18.4%
\$140-160	74	24.7%
\$160-180	43	14.4%
\$180-200	28	9.4%
\$200-220	21	7%
\$220-240	5	1.7%
more than \$240	33	11%

Listings viewed by weekly rental price:

Weekly rental price	Page views ?	% of total
less than \$100	2748	11.7%
\$100-120	2158	9.2%
\$120-140	5416	23%
\$140-160	5741	24.3%
\$160-180	2414	10.2%
\$180-200	1623	6.9%
\$200-220	1104	4.7%
\$220-240	433	1.8%
more than \$240	1946	8.3%

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Data period: 1 October 2010 to 23 December 2010.

The majority of properties added are in the price range of \$140-\$160 per week, however, students view the \$120-\$140 & \$140-\$160 price range the most.

Next Edition

March 2011. *This will be posted on SUT website.*



Instructions

Providers: How can I list a closed listing?

Your listing will close automatically after a while – once this happens you can re-list it through your dashboard. Here's how:



1. Sign in to your provider account by clicking the "Sign in" link at the top of the page.



2. Go to your dashboard by clicking your email address at the top right of the page.

Dashboard

Listings

+ Add a listing

Closed

- 289 Vulture St (relist)



3. Find the listing you want to re-list under the Closed heading, and click the "relist" link next to it.

Relist

1 bedroom apartment for rent

289 Vulture St
Woolloongabba 4102

Relist with these changes

Rent	Bond
\$ 100 <input type="text"/> per week <input type="text"/>	\$ 400 <input type="text"/>
Available from	Lease for
17-Nov-2010 <input type="text"/>	6 months <input type="checkbox"/> No minimum

Preview



4. You'll be asked if you want to make any changes when you re-list. Make the changes if you need to, then click "Preview".

Are you ready to submit this listing for approval?

Wait, I need to make changes OK, submit this listing



5. Check your listing – you can make further changes if you need to. When you're ready, click "OK, submit this listing".

You'll need to wait for administrators to re-approve your listing. It will show up as "awaiting approval" on your dashboard until they do, then it will move to "current".