

A 3-day science camp for Year 9/10 students



14-16 July, 2025

University of New England, Armidale

Do you have an interest and passion for science?

Join us at the University of New England (UNE) for this year's edition of "The Science Experience", a 3-day fun-filled, hands-on science camp for students in Years 9 and 10.





About

The Science Experience is hosted by UNE and provides students with a 3-day program filled with exciting and challenging hands-on activities across multiple disciplines, facilitated by leading scientists and academics. Students will participate in workshops in diverse areas such as chemistry, neuroscience, biomedical science, coding, animal science and agriculture, and more. They will engage with real scientists, use real laboratories and experience real science.

Students can also interact with, and ask questions of, scientists from industry, academia, consulting and/or government in a career panel discussion that focuses on the changing job market in science and ways to help students identify their passions and interests in science.

The 3-day event is designed so that students stay on campus and experience what it's like to live at university in a residential college.

We highly recommend and encourage students to stay in the supervised accommodation to enhance their experience and strengthen their rapport with other students and build on the social aspects of the program. We will also provide evening activities, which may include a visit one of the spectacular gorges in the New England region for an evening dinner and bushwalk, a movie night, or an activity at SportUNE depending on the weather.

With engagement in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths) disciplines declining among young people today, particularly those living in rural areas, this experience at UNE is a wonderful opportunity for students to see the career possibilities within in the STEM arena, and boost school holiday happiness!

This event is open to students in Years 9 and 10 in 2025.

Costs

Registration with The Science Experience is \$220 per student for the 3-day program PLUS

Accommodation/Meals/Activities with UNE: **\$160** (2 nights – Tue/Wed) or

\$240 (3 nights – Mon/Tue/Wed)

3-night option is available for those travelling long distances and wishing to arrive on the Monday evening.

For local students, a meals/activities only option with no accommodation is available for **\$80 pp**.

How to register

Parents/guardians can register students for The Science Experience here: scienceexperience.com.au

Select 'Apply Online' and complete the details on the form. The University Preference will be "University of New England, Armidale 13-16 July 2025. Please contact your local Rotary or Lions club for possible student scholarships for to cover registration fees!

Once registered, we will send you a link to our UNE accommodation and meals booking portal.

We look forward to welcoming your passionate science students in July!

For more information about UNE's 'The Science Experience' program, please contact: Lee-Anne McKinnon via email at <u>une-discovery@une.edu.au</u>