

Te Puni Village



Residential Life & Support Programmes

For current and prospective residents

Introduction:

Te Puni Village is Victoria University of Wellington brand new student accommodation building. It is owned by the university; however it is operated by Campus Living Villages NZ Ltd.

The Residential Life and Support programmes on offer, focus on the resident as a whole person, and not just the academic student side of University. Te Puni Village offer a fantastic Orientation programme alongside the University Orientation programmes and Halls Head Start programme in February.

Throughout the year, there are several events and activities on offer for residents to choose to take part in. These are a range of social, cultural, sporting and academic programmes.

Orientation Week Programmes:

Te Puni Village's Orientation week programme starts from the Sunday move in day until the first day of lectures.

Orientation week is a blast and residents really enjoy the activities and events on offer in the Village.

Residential Assistants along with a Senior Residential Assistant are responsible for organising and facilitating the Orientation week events and activities.



Orientation Week events and activities include some of the following:

- Scavenger Hunt
- Intestinal Ironman
- Board Games
- Painting evening
- Uni smart lecture
- Sports fun
- Dessert Night
- Harbour Cruise
- Movie Marathon
- Rock climbing
- Te Papa tour
- Parliament Tour
- Speed Dating
- Te Puni Village celebration

Social Events and Activities:

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- Quiz Nights
- Floor Activities
- Murder Mystery
- Amazing Race
- Poker Nights
- Ball
- Dance nights
- Movie Nights
- Charity fundraisers
- Themed dinners
- Sports competitions
- Secret Admirers
- Easter Eggs
- Mid Winter Xmas
- Farewell Dinner

Te Puni Village offers a range of fun social events and activities for residents to choose to take part in. These events and activities offer residents the opportunity to experience Wellington, get to know each other, and celebrate each other's talents and differences.

These events and activities are on offer throughout the year, and are usually organised and facilitated by Residential Assistants. However resident involvement and participation is key.

Floor activities allow residents to get to know their neighbours, and Residential Assistant in a fun, relaxed environment, usually outside of the Village.



Academic and Personal support programmes:

Residential Assistants offer peer support to residents for academic and personal support. The Residential Life Manager and the Senior Residential Assistant organise speakers to come in and talk to residents on a range of issues from essay writing to budgeting for flatting. Te Puni Village tries to encourage all residents to reach their academic potential.

Academic support on offer:

- Workshops on
 - Exam preparation
 - Essay writing
 - Public speaking
 - Degree-specific
- Study Groups are encouraged
- Peer support from RAs
- Exam Study packs
- Support from the Residential Life Manager

Personal support on offer:

- Finance advice sessions
- Promoting healthy living
- Flatting and private housing info evenings
- Support from the Residential Life Manager



Sporting Opportunities:

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- **Swimming**
- **Soccer**
- **Rugby**
- **Netball**
- **Sprints and relays**
- **Walking/running groups**

The Village offers some sporting opportunities for residents in the form of Inter-hall and inter-floor competitions. Te Puni Village provides residents information on how to join V.U.W sports teams and leagues and works closely with the Recreation Centre which is just located 3 minutes away from the Village.

Cultural Events and Activities:

For those residents that enjoy participating in more cultural events, Te Puni Village offers a range of cultural activities for residents to participate in, or observe. These activities focus on celebrating the wide range of talent that residents possess.



Cultural Events and Activities:

- **Talent Quest**
- **Debating**
- **Dance**
- **Choir**
- **Chamber Music**

Residents' Association:

At the start of the year, Residents elect a President, Vice-President and Associate-President as well as Floor Representatives to form the Residents' Association. Their primary responsibility is to organise events and activities **by the Residents, for the Residents.**

