



# University Hall Student Accommodation Development

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ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF THE NEW LANDMARK ENTRANCE AT DUSK

## Construction update

Construction of the new student accommodation and facilities at The University of Western Australia's residential hall will reach a milestone in the coming weeks with preparations now underway to install roofs to the three new buildings.

At the Northern site, closest to Kings Park, building A has reached level five with one more level to be constructed.

Within the Southern site, building B is now complete to level three, with two levels remaining to be built. Building C is complete to level five at the eastern end and, at this stage will be the first to have its roof installed.

Internally, works include the installation of windows, new kitchens and bathroom pods.

To date, 160 bathroom pods have been fitted. The ready-made pods have a high quality finish and provide efficiency of installation.

The University is working with contractor, Probuild to deliver the new facilities which will include around 500 self-contained studio and one-bedroom apartments, multi-purpose rooms, a café, modern laundry facilities and landscaped recreational areas for students to enjoy.

This exciting development is aligned to the University's vision to provide high quality, accessible and affordable accommodation close to campus.

It is programmed for completion by the start of Semester One 2013.

## View construction online

Watch the progress of construction with time-lapse footage available online at:

[www.uwa.edu.au/  
campusdevelopment/current-  
projects/currie-hall/project-status](http://www.uwa.edu.au/campusdevelopment/current-projects/currie-hall/project-status)

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## The new landmark entrance

A key component of the development is the new landmark entrance, with the base of its distinctive concrete pillars recently lifted into place.

The design of the new landmark entrance highlights and reflects the rich history of architecture across the University campus.

Inspiration for the design has been drawn from the colonnades and cloisters on campus as well as Napier Waller's *Five Lanterns of Learning*, a mosaic representing five of the seven virtues of wisdom, located above the Great Gate at Winthrop Hall.

The simple form, proportion and design of the new landmark entrance establishes a unique identity and address for the residential hall, yet still creates a modern and identifiable connection to the iconic Winthrop Hall.

In the evening, the lighting specification will ensure a soft glow to the entrance, and is designed to 'welcome the students home.'

Once complete, the new landmark entrance will be accessible from the Mounts Bay Road/Stirling Highway pedestrian underpass.

## New roof and landscaping

Throughout October the focus will shift to installing the roof structures and continuing the apartment fit-outs.

The first roof will be installed on building C, within the Southern site of the development, followed by building A and finally building B.

With the start of Spring, landscaping works are also set to begin. The Landscape Plan is designed to extend the *University in a Park* environment, with preparations now underway for the planting of the more than 8,000 trees, shrubs and plants across the site.

Look out for details of the Landscape Plan in the next Project Update.

This development is supported by the Australian Government under the National Rental Affordability Scheme.



THE CONCRETE PILLARS WHICH FEATURE IN THE NEW LANDMARK ENTRANCE ARE LIFTED INTO PLACE