“For my first time away from home to study, Burgmann was the best choice. It is modern and safe, and the community of students is like a family away from home. The facilities and services are excellent, and the rooms are spacious and comfortable”.

—Lacy Davey PhD (Burgmann Alumna)
From the Principal

Living in the Village at Burgmann is an experience that you will never forget. You may be involved in all sorts of rewarding activities and form supportive friendships, many of which should last a lifetime.

We welcome all community minded postgraduate and higher degree research students who are focused academically, and who wish to work seriously to achieve their goals. This includes students in graduate entry courses such as Medicine and Juris Doctor and a small number of Honours students. We seek to create a transformative graduate experience, learning in a community setting where you both give and receive support on a daily basis as you prepare to take your place in the world.

Set in one of the best locations on campus, the Village at Burgmann has excellent facilities and people to assist your living and learning in either research or coursework. You’ll be supported at all times on your journey by our live-in staff, our Residential Advisors and your fellow residents.

I encourage you to visit the College and our website to learn more about our community.

Ms Sally Renouf
Why Burgmann?

Our community engenders a simple purpose – that everyone achieves their highest possible potential, academically and personally.

Our learning community is based on ‘shared learning’ amongst residents. Academic support is both received and given by all.

We offer our residents the opportunity to balance study with the many other interests available to explore, whether they are intellectual, social, sporting, religious, political or artistic. The choices are yours to pursue.

Burgmann emphasises individual freedom and growth on the one hand and collegiate commitment, responsibility and contribution on the other. This balance is integral to creating a truly supportive and vibrant learning community.

Burgmann College is proud to be the only residence on the ANU campus where both the Principal and Deputy Principal live on-site. Together with our Residential Advisors (RAs) and Village Community Coordinator, there is always someone on-site to assist residents – no matter the time of day or night.

Burgmann is a single community with no hierarchies of residential membership. Residents have a say in running the College.

THE VILLAGE

The Village at Burgmann is more than just a place to live - it is a vibrant community of postgraduate residents in a stunning corner of the ANU campus next to Lake Burley Griffin. The Village has the National Botanic Gardens as its backyard and everything on campus is only a short walk or bike ride away. Canberra’s city centre (called Civic) is within walking distance and provides plenty of restaurants, bars, pubs and clubs to visit whilst you take a break from your study. Public transport is readily available with a bus stop out the front of the College.

The Village prides itself on its community spirit. There are many opportunities to get involved in sports and arts activities in an environment with a strong culture of participation. Regular social activities provide an opportunity to relax with fellow residents.
ACCOMMODATION

The Village is comprised of six buildings situated in a leafy and tranquil environment. The 'Street' running through the centre of the Village is a place to meet friends or hold social events. The Village is surrounded by trees and gardens making it a very pleasant environment in which to live.

There are four types of accommodation options:

- 5 Bedroom Apartments
- 3 Bedroom Apartments
- 2 Bedroom Apartments
- Studios

5 Bedroom Apartments

Each apartment has a shared kitchen with cupboards for storage space, four hot plates, fridge and an oven. There are two showers and two toilets. There are also apartments suitable for disabled accommodation and these have a slightly different configuration. Each resident in the apartment has a private lockable room containing a standard king-single bed and a study desk.

2 & 3 Bedroom Apartments

On the ground floor of each building and on the second floor of certain blocks there are 2 bedroom apartments. Some are allocated to the Residential Advisors of each block with the remaining available for resident accommodation. The 3 bedroom apartments are similar to the 2 bedroom apartments, with an extra bedroom and a bigger common area. There are only four 3 bedroom apartments. The facilities for these two types of apartments are similar to those found in the 5 Bedroom apartments.

Studios

These are self-contained units which include a queen-size bed, desk, kitchenette and bathroom. The kitchenette has two hot plates, a microwave oven and small fridge. Due to the high demand for studios, first year postgraduate residents may apply but are not guaranteed to be given a studio apartment. Rooms are allocated to new and returning residents by the College over the summer vacation.

Disability/Wheelchair accessible rooms are available upon request.
KANEEKA GAJENDRA
2ND YEAR VILLAGE RESIDENT
RESIDENTIAL ADVISOR

How did you find coming to Burgmann?
I moved away from home in Melbourne to study Medicine in Canberra. It was both a daunting and ridiculously exciting transition! I had heard fantastic things about Burgmann from friends and ex-ressies and by the end of week 1, I knew Burgmann was going to be a great place for me. It’s safe, convenient and the community of staff and students soon become your family away from home.

What’s the best thing about living at Burgmann?
Whilst nothing beats the convenience of living a mere five-minute walk away from the medical school, I love the sense of community up in the Village! The students are incredible and between the sport, music, academic and social events, there are endless ways to strike a balance between study and socialising! Also, did I mention the location?! You’ve got the Botanical gardens and Black Mountain around the back and only a short walk to Lake Burley Griffin to catch those stunning sunsets.

What’s the one thing you didn’t expect about Burgmann?
I didn’t expect that over 200 people could find their niche and think of the same place as home! I’m very grateful for the opportunity to meet people from all over Australia and the world and for the support from staff and students as I transitioned into post-graduate Medical study and life away from the family.

How did you find moving to Burgmann? Was it what you expected?
I didn’t know what to expect moving to Burgmann, having lived at home all my life. The prospect of uprooting to a new place alone to study a new course was daunting but the orientation programme made meeting people and settling in easy! I’ve had the opportunity to live in both a studio in my first year and a two-share currently.

Tell us about a typical week for you at College?
I have university from Tuesday to Friday, 9am-5pm but tend to duck back to Burgmann for lunch or if I have a break between classes. Burgmann hosts the Villagers for dinner one night of the week which is a fantastic time to chat to other residents and mingle with the undergraduates. On the weekends, I hit up Black Mountain and explore the cafes and sites of Canberra with friends.

How do you feel you might be different for having lived at Burgmann?
I don’t think I would have met so many incredible, driven people who are passionate about making a difference. I think everyone benefits from the diversity in the Village and the fantastic community vibe. I have made friendships that I know will last a lifetime!

What are you involved in at Burgmann?
I am a Village Residential Advisor (RA) this year, looking after the medical portfolio which involves running weekly tutorials, clinical skills practices and social shindigs for the medical students. Apart from that, the RA team organise various social events, are involved pastoral care and foster a general vibe of positivity in the College.

Do you have any advice for students applying to the ANU and Burgmann for 2017?
ANU is an exceptional university in a thriving city set against a bush landscape! Regardless of your discipline, ANU equips its graduates with the skills and expertise for your dream career!

As for Burgmann? There’s no place I would’ve rather spent my first two years out of home. The staff, facilities and services and sense of community is unrivalled. Get involved, have fun and it’ll be a fantastic time that you’ll look back on fondly!
FOOD & CATERING PACKAGES

The heart of our College, the Dining Hall, underwent significant refurbishment in 2015.

All Village accommodation is self-catered. However, various meal packages are available and could be tailored around your schedule and needs.

Meal packages are reasonably priced and meals are provided in the College Dining Hall.

Postgraduate resident fees include a weekly dinner in the dining room, and periodically when a special theme dinner is arranged.

For more information on catering packages, please contact reception@burgmann.anu.edu.au
FACILITIES

Burgmann has many common spaces where you can relax, socialise and study.

The Lounge
This room adjoins the Chapel and is another common room for residents’ use. It houses a TV with Foxtel and coffee making facilities.

Bar
'Le Chat Noir', the College Bar, is an important part of College social life! The bar is often open between 8:30pm – 10:30pm.

Pool/Snooker Room
Open 9:00am – 11:00pm, there are both snooker and pool balls.

Chapel
Available to all residents and is used for numerous purposes, events and for reflection.

Computer Lab
Contains a mixture of PCs and Macs. All computers are connected to the ANU network and have internet access. There are two black and white printers.

Music Room
A dedicated space for music practice without disturbing others.

Other Meeting and Study Areas
There are over half a dozen rooms in the College that can be used as meeting and study areas for residents.

Grounds and Gardens
The College has the most extensive gardens and grounds of all residential colleges on campus for resident enjoyment.

Village Vegetable Garden
Green thumbs are welcome to be part of the communal Village Vegetable Garden. Residents can buy into the plot for $5 with the funds going towards the purchase of seeds, gloves and tools.
ABHI SETHI
3RD YEAR VILLAGE RESIDENT
POSTGRADUATE COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

How did you find coming to Burgmann?
Moving interstate, I was initially quite nervous and anxious. Looking back now, I am glad that I chose to move into a college like Burgmann. The on-campus convenience and the sense of community made me feel welcome, and certainly helped smooth a very difficult transition period.

What's the best thing about living at Burgmann?
For me, the best aspect has to be the sense of community that exists in the Village. People are pleasant to one another, there's always social events where you can meet new people and relax from the stresses of your courses. When there aren't any events on, there's mostly fellow villagers around to watch sport with collectively.

What's the one thing you didn't expect about Burgmann?
Being a postgraduate village, I did not expect there to be so many social opportunities. They work really well, because, you always have the choice to stay back and study if required, and attend whichever you please.

How did you find moving to Burgmann? Was it what you expected?
Being the Postgraduate Community Coordinator this year, my typical week usually involved helping organise/promote events in the Village or at the college in general. Most weeks certainly involve one or two occasions of watching sport in the lounge or the common room with fellow residents, and that is something I very much look forward to for relaxing. A game of pool or table tennis also is usually a regular occurrence.

How do you feel you might be different for having lived at Burgmann?
It's helped living at Burgmann because I have grown to appreciate the value of a sense of community in a shared living space. The diversity in the village certainly helps give this community aspect a dynamic vibe, and it's something I believe everyone benefits from.

What are you involved in at Burgmann?
Being the Postgraduate Community Coordinator takes up a lot of time, but it is something I certainly enjoy. All the RAs at the village truly care about the residents and we all want to ensure the best possible year for all of us. Through social events, effective pastoral care and a general vibe of positivity, this has worked well so far.

Do you have any advice for students applying to the ANU and Burgmann for 2017?
ANU is an exceptional university, and most people applying are from interstate.

In terms of accommodation, if you are looking for an on campus lifestyle, at least for your first year, there is no better place than the Burgmann Postgraduate Village. The facilities provided by Burgmann are excellent. Above all else, the sense of community that exists is unmatched across the colleges at the ANU. I would definitely recommend applying here.
Burgmann Support

The College facilitates academic assistance for postgraduates through a peer learning community.

Our peer learning community is led by the Principal, Deputy Principal, Postgraduate Village Community Coordinator and Residential Advisors (RAs). RAs are residents appointed by the College to undertake pastoral and leadership duties and to lead the Academic Assistance Network. They come under the supervision of the Deputy Principal.

There is an RA in every block in the Village. RAs will make themselves known to residents in their block and around the College. They offer assistance in a variety of ways:

- providing general advice on study, research and workload management
- connecting residents with peers studying in the same subject area
- suggesting strategies for more effective study techniques
- caring for individual’s issues, and helping to find the best ways and people to assist block, group and individual care and well-being as well as conflict resolution.

RAs are residents with strong academic performance and a demonstrated caring attitude, and will be able to help you adjust to your new home here at Burgmann.

Each RA is responsible for a portfolio. Portfolios have either an academic or a community development focus. There is also an opportunity to have your work published in the Burgmann Journal, the College’s peer-reviewed multi-disciplinary journal published annually. See www.eview.anu.edu.au/journals and select ‘Burgmann Journal’.
Student Life at Burgmann

The Burgmann Residents’ Association (BRA) is the organisation run by a committee of residents to support all those who live here at Burgmann, in all facets of their college lives. BRA organises and initiates a wide range of activities and events for residents to get involved in, providing essential social, artistic and sporting activities. The committee also ensures that all residents are given a voice in College matters, acting as an important bridge between the College administration and the residents. BRA provides the voice for the residents in the running of the College through communication with the Principal and the College Council.

A sample of events and activities organised by BRA:

**Burg Ball**
A formal occasion, usually with a theme. This is one of the highlights of the year, where you can invite friends and family to join in the fun.

**Dawborn**
A snooker competition involving nearly the entire College population which culminates in a grand final night, another formal do which is always a blast.

**Burg Concert**
Occurs once a term, where Burgmann’s musicians and singers put on a wonderful musical evening for the rest of the College.

**Burg Play**
An annual production involving Burgmann’s many talented residents.
ARTS
BRA Arts Representatives aim to facilitate and promote arts activities and events, enabling all Burgies to perfect their passions and also to try new things.

Burgmann has a record of success in the Interhall Arts Shield. This is an annual competition in which all the residential halls, colleges and lodges participate. Events include: Theatre sports, a band competition called ‘Big Night Out’, chess, pool, trivia, debating, The Poetry Slam, The 40 Hours of Film Festival, Talent Show and many more.

The Arts at Burgmann thrive within the College walls. You might like to join our Burgmann Band (open to brass, strings, percussion, and woodwind), become a part of the choir, perform in one of our many Burg Concerts, put your visual art on display in the Art Show or act in the Burg Play or Interhall Musical.
SPORT

BRA Sports Reps make sure that no matter whether you're a sporting superstar, or the kid who would run away from the ball in a soccer match, you'll become involved in College sport either as a participant, or kitted out in Burgmann colours supporting the team on the field, court, track or wherever!

Burgmann competes in the Interhall Sports Shield, an annual competition in which all the residential halls, colleges and lodges at ANU participate. Burgmann has a strong record of placing highly in this competition. There are plenty of sports to get involved in. Sports include: AFL, Rugby, Soccer, Volleyball, Hockey, Softball, Ultimate Disc as well as many others.

Keep an eye out for Inward Bound (IB) which is held in the second semester every year. IB is an interhall competition where multiple divisions from each hall, college and lodge on the ANU campus battle it out to see who has the best endurance and orienteering skills. Blindfolded and dropped in an unknown location in the bush, the divisions race to get to the IB end point.
MANIK MAHAJAN
2ND YEAR VILLAGE RESIDENT

How did you find coming to Burgmann?
When I first moved to Canberra, I was coming to a city where I knew no one, and about which I knew almost nothing. But living at Burgmann was having a home away from home from the moment I first got here. I got to find a family in the wonderful people that live here, the staff, our Principal and Deputy Principal. The relationships I have developed during my time here are friendships that I will carry throughout my life moving forward.

What’s the best thing about living at Burgmann?
Being able to meet passionate and wonderful people, who I am sure will one day make the world a better place was has been a fantastic experience. Getting to know people from overseas, rural Australia, and all walks of lives over sneaky Tim Tams, sports, and Sunday morning scones has been instrumental in my journey to become a better version of myself.

What’s the one thing you didn’t expect about Burgmann?
Moving to a new place, not knowing anyone, and starting a new life can be daunting. I expected having to make a lot of effort to find my place, but the incredible community we have at Burgmann made it easy as cake for me. From my first day here, everyone was warm and friendly, keen to learn more about me, and helped me through the first few days of starting uni which could’ve just as easily been challenging.

How did you find moving to Burgmann? Was it what you expected?
When I first got here, it was raining, really cold (because Canberra!), and almost office closing time on a Friday evening in July. I had just landed in Australia from a different country, and suffice to say was a bit overwhelmed. The staff were incredibly understanding and kind, and helped me through the moving in process by staying late. I was introduced to my residential advisor, who then introduced me to fellow residents that evening, and took me out for dinner. Immediately, I was home, and I had made new friends. My first evening pretty much epitomises life at Burgmann. Amazing people, and an amazing community!

Tell us about a typical week for you at College.
On a normal day, I usually go for a run up Black Mountain with a few of my mates from the college, after which we all come back have breakfast together in the dining hall before heading to classes or work. Normally, my flatmates and I have dinner together, with the occasional chill movie or board game nights in our flat or in the lounge with fellow villagers. There’s always some event (sports, talks, workshops etc.) happening in Burgmann that BRA or the residential advisors organise. And, of course, I always look forward to Sunday morning scones and coffee at Luigi’s with all the undergrads, postgrads, and our Principals. Canberra is fantastic for people who like to be outdoors, and my mates and I often go for hikes, camping, stargazing at Mt Stromlo and of course Questacon!

What are you involved in at Burgmann?
I was a staff assistant in the IT Crowd. Part of my role was helping maintain the digital operations at Burgmann, and assisting residents with any IT related issues. We also organised a few educational events, and fun games nights with Mario Cart, lollies and Mountain Dew (typical nerd). I was also a residential advisor over the summer. Over the summer, ANU has a summer scholars programme of which I was also a part. The summer is an awesome time for STEM students. Between being able to meet the brightest future scientists and the incredible students from the National Youth Science Forum (who stay at Burgmann for a month), I had one of the best summers of my life. Burgmann also has an Academic Support Network, where students tutor each other on courses they have previously taken. First year postgraduate med students, and students in STEM really gain immensely from these tutorials by being able to draw from past experiences and insights of their peers.

Do you have any advice for students applying to the ANU and Burgmann for 2018?
You will make friends that will be the friends for the rest of your life at college. And, ANU truly prepares you with the knowledge, skills and capability to create a better future in whichever discipline or field you are in. Starting a new life at uni and at college can seem like a lot, but every day is going to be the best day of your life!
Scholarships and Financial Assistance

Who is eligible?
Fulltime ANU students are eligible for assistance. Bursaries and Scholarships are awarded under meritorious and equity criteria, including community awareness, that reflects the overall ethos of Burgmann.

They are selected from those applicants who can demonstrate all three of the following:

a. merit
b. financial need
c. previous community contributions

All bursaries and scholarships take the form of a reduction in fees.

What Scholarships and Financial Assistance are Available?

Burgmann Bursaries
Bursaries are available for both new and continuing residents. The criteria for the award of bursaries are based on financial need, academic merit and community contribution with the primary weighting on financial need. Six bursaries of $5,000 each are available.

Burgmann Scholarships
Scholarships are available for new undergraduate and postgraduate residents at Burgmann College. The criteria for the award of scholarships are the same as for bursaries, but with a primary weighting on academic merit. Three scholarships of $5,000 each are available.

Burgmann Price Scholarship
An annual award the Scholarship Committee selects from Australian applicants who are recent or first generation migrant, regional and/or Indigenous students and who will be a resident of Burgmann College in that year. Selection is on academic merit, the student’s need for financial support and their contribution to the community.

Northrop Grumman, ViaSat and Optus Country Scholarship
This scholarship will be offered to two students from rural and regional areas with a particular focus on the Riverina region who accept or have accepted an offer of a program of study at The Australian National University (ANU) in one of the Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) fields. Scholarship recipients must be entering their first year of study at the ANU, and reside at Burgmann College whilst receiving the scholarship. Applicants must be 20 years of age or younger when they apply. The recipient will be awarded $10,500 per year for three years ($31,550 in total) to assist with living expenses on campus at Burgmann College.

Tuckwell Scholarships
Supported through the generosity of the Graham & Louise Tuckwell Foundation, recipients receive a scholarship of $20,900 per annum (increasing with inflation) for the length of his/her undergraduate degree at ANU. For more information visit www.tuckwell.anu.edu.au

How do I apply for a Scholarship or Bursary?
Application forms are available on the Burgmann website from either October or November onwards. For further information please contact the Manager of Business and Finance, Nerrida Higgins, by telephone +61 2 6125 6081 or by email to nerrida.higgins@anu.edu.au
Apply to Burgmann

Burgmann College accepts current and prospective full-time students enrolled at ANU.

How do I apply?

To apply for residence at Burgmann College, prospective students are required to apply online, via the ANU University Accommodation portal: http://portal.rcc.anu.edu.au/

Please ensure you list Burgmann College as your first preference. In addition, applicants are strongly encouraged to provide supporting documents (see below).

What selection criteria does Burgmann use?

At Burgmann, we select residents on their ability to contribute to the Burgmann community, their fellow residents, and their potential to get the most out of the all-round educational experience we offer. Therefore, we look at your co-curricular interests, leadership potential and ability, and contribution to your community, in addition to your academic results.

More generally the College seeks a balance in all things – gender, academic areas, broad interests, community experience and regional diversity.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to email additional supporting documentation to Reception at reception@burgmann.anu.edu.au. Supporting documentation may include documents such as a CV, Personal Statement and Reference Letter(s).

Further detailed information on how to apply for a place at Burgmann can be found on the ANU University Accommodation website.

When should I apply?

Accommodation applications open mid-August each year. We recommend applying to the College as early as possible. No supporting documentation will be considered after the portal closing date (usually the second week in January).

When will I find out?

A few early offers may be made at the discretion of the Principal from mid-December each year with the majority being offered in the first two weeks in January.
Questions?

How much are the residential fees?
In 2017, 46 week contracts was available in the self-catered Village and fees started from $259 per week in a 5-share apartment, to $326 for a studio.

Fees and contract durations for 2018 will be published on the Burgmann website in October/November every year. Burgmann offers three methods of paying College fees: annually, semester and fortnightly instalments.

Is there a catered option?
Yes, catered accommodation is available on request and a package can be tailored to your needs and schedule. Please contact Burgmann College Reception for further information: reception@burgmann.anu.edu.au

Is linen provided?
No, residents bring their own linen. However, the College may provide linen for overseas students at a nominal fee.

What size beds are available?
Studio apartments have queen beds, all other rooms have king-single beds.

Transport and parking?
Public transport – a bus stop is located at the front of the College. Bicycle – a cheap and easy way to get around campus.

Parking – all parking on campus is controlled by the ANU and very limited. Parking permits are required and can be obtained from the ANU Parking Office. More information may be obtained from parking@anu.edu.au

Can guests stay overnight?
Occasional guests are welcome to stay in residents’ rooms overnight or a weekend (two nights max). The College can provide a mattress bed for guests. If linen is required, a small fee is applied.
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