

We Heart University Bookshop



Originally a lolly and chocolate factory, then a mechanic's garage, the iconic and dearly loved UBS building is synonymous with Otago's student experience.

Thousands of students have stocked up for courses here, and feverishly pored over UBS's textbooks. Many alumni have fond memories of their times within UBS itself – finding a lifetime favourite book, relaxing in the wood-lined recesses, or even meeting a new love in the aisles. If you have memories you want to share, please [email us](#). Some things have changed since the old days - for instance, the shop now has an online presence so you can use UBS wherever you live in the world; there is a new Children's room with a magic carpet and storytelling every Friday and Saturday morning; and there is now a new branch in the heart of campus.

And while some things change, others stay enticingly the same. The gracious building remains unchanged from its original [Edmund Ascombe](#) design; the famous non-stop sale is still on the second floor; and the original hydraulic hoist, once used to shift trays of lollies and chocolates, is still used in the bookshop to move trolleys of books between floors!

Next time you're in Dunedin, pop by to savour your memories and one of New Zealand's largest independent bookshops. Or [discover UBS online](#) – they have a huge and eclectic selection of books, and a feast of quirky gifts.

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