

# Universal Coroutine

## Features:

- Works in both Play mode and in Edit mode
- Avoids unnecessary Garbage Collection/memory allocation by using Object Pools.
- Same coroutine methods can be executed in Play mode and Edit mode\*
- Supports nested coroutines and most of the other functions of the normal Unity coroutines

\*Not all yield options are supported in Edit mode (they will be ignored in Edit mode)

## Supported in Play mode:

- Start coroutine(s)
- Stop coroutine(s)
- Pause coroutine(s)
- Resume coroutine(s)
- yield return null
- yield return break
- yield return WaitForSeconds
- yield return WaitForFixedUpdate
- yield return WaitForLateUpdate
- yield return WWW

\* yield return WaitForEndOfFrame not supported, because Unity doesn't expose this event

## Supported in Edit mode:

- Start coroutine(s)
- Stop coroutine(s)
- Pause coroutine(s)
- Resume coroutine(s)
- yield return null
- yield return break
- yield return WaitForSeconds
- yield return WWW

### **How to use:**

There are some differences between regular Unity coroutines and Universal Coroutines:

1. **Managed differently:**
    - Unity coroutines are linked to MonoBehaviour
    - Universal coroutines are globally managed by the CoroutineManager class
  2. **Syntax is different:**
    - Because Universal Coroutines uses Object Pooling, you don't use "new" keyword in the coroutine method.
- See below paragraph for more information.

### **There are 2 ways to call Universal Coroutines functionality in a script:**

NOTES:

- You need to import "UniversalCoroutines" to use the extension methods or access CoroutineManager class.
- yield return null, yield break and yield return www stays the same inside a coroutine method.
- You can just use the WWW class like you normally would do.

#### **1. If the script is a MonoBehaviour or EditorWindow you can use the extension methods:**

All extension methods start with "Uni" for consistency and can be called using "this.Uni...".

- [UniStartCoroutine](#)
- [UniWaitForSeconds](#)
- [UniWaitForFixedUpdate](#)
- [UniWaitForLateUpdate](#)
- [UniStopCoroutine](#)
- [UniStopAllCoroutines](#)
- [UniPauseCoroutine](#)
- [UniPauseAllCoroutines](#)
- [UniResumeCoroutine](#)
- [UniResumeAllCoroutines](#)

#### **2. Directly call the CoroutineManager:**

Instead of the "wrapper" extension methods you can call the CoroutineManager methods directly.

These can be called from any script:

- [CoroutineManager.StartCoroutine](#)
- [CoroutineManager.WaitForSeconds](#)
- [CoroutineManager.WaitForFixedUpdate](#)
- [CoroutineManager.WaitForLateUpdate](#)
- [CoroutineManager.StopCoroutine](#)
- [CoroutineManager.StopAllCoroutines](#)
- [CoroutineManager.PauseCoroutine](#)
- [CoroutineManager.PauseAllCoroutines](#)
- [CoroutineManager.ResumeCoroutine](#)
- [CoroutineManager.ResumeCoroutines](#)

Example: From Unity Coroutine format to Universal Coroutine format (see CoroutineComparison.cs for full code):

```
#region UNITY
private IEnumerator TestUnityCoroutine()
{
    Debug.Log("Unity coroutine: wait 3 seconds");
    yield return new UnityEngine.WaitForSeconds(3);
    Debug.Log("Unity coroutine: waited 3 seconds");
    yield return StartCoroutine(TestUnitySubroutine());
    Debug.Log("Unity coroutine: done");
}

private IEnumerator TestUnitySubroutine()
{
    Debug.Log("Unity subroutine: started");
    yield return new WaitForFixedUpdate();
    Debug.Log("Unity subroutine: in FixedUpdate() now");
    yield return null;
    Debug.Log("Unity subroutine: ended");
}
#endregion
```

This becomes:

```
#region UNIVERSAL_COROUTINE
private IEnumerator TestUniversalCoroutine()
{
    Debug.Log("Universal coroutine: wait 3 seconds");
    yield return this.UniWaitForSeconds(3); //yield return CoroutineManager.WaitForSeconds(3)
    Debug.Log("Universal coroutine: waited 3 seconds");
    yield return this.UniStartCoroutine(TestUniversalSubroutine());
    Debug.Log("Universal coroutine: done");
}

private IEnumerator TestUniversalSubroutine()
{
    Debug.Log("Universal subroutine: started");
    yield return this.UniWaitForFixedUpdate(); //yield return CoroutineManager.WaitForFixedUpdate()
    Debug.Log("Universal subroutine: in FixedUpdate() now");
    yield return null;
    Debug.Log("Universal subroutine: ended");
}
#endregion
```

See the Test scene and CoroutineTester.cs file if you want to see a fully implemented class that uses all the functionality.