

CURTIN STUDENT GUILD **Guild President Report**
June 2024
Jasmyne Tweed

Presidents Guild Council Report

Covering Dates: 16.05.2024 – 13.06.2024

Leave: 03.06.2024 Public Holiday

04.06.2024-07.06.2024 Annual Leave

Travel: Nil

1. Meetings Log

University Meetings		
Date	Meeting	Comments
20.05.2024	Academic Board Executive	
23.05.2024	Safer Communities Check-in	
27.05.2024	Sorry Day Smocking Ceremony	
28.05.2024	SSAFEAC	
11.06.2024	Guild President X DVCA Monthly Check-in	
12.06.2024	VC Forum with Staff	Went in solidarity with the NTEU
Guild Meetings		
Date	Meeting	Comments
20.05.2024	Guild President X MD Check-in	
	Guild President X MA Check-in	
	Guild Executive Committee	
21.05.2024	Guild Executive Committee	
	WA Guilds SSAF Strategy Meeting	
	NUS EdCon Planning Meeting	
23.05.2024	Guild Council	
30.05.2024	Guild President x Senator Sue Lines Meeting	
10.06.2024	Guild President x MA Check-in	
11.06.2024	NUS EdCon Planning Meeting	
12.06.2024	Love Week Planning	
13.06.2024	EdCon Workshop Planning	

2. Projects Overview

2.1 Curtin University & Student Guild – Disclosure, Divestment and Ethical Investment Agreement 2024

- The Curtin Student Guild reaches an agreement with Curtin University that will see full disclosure of investments, research, learning and teaching ties with weapons manufacturers, foreign governments and defence industry.

Through the dedication and unity of students and the community, the Curtin Student Guild has achieved a crucial step with the university's commitment to disclose ties with weapons manufacturers, marking significant progress in our shared pursuit of ethical practices and human rights.

After camping outside the Curtin University Chancellory for 23 days, our University agreed to our demands on Tuesday, the 21st of May to disclose all university investments and research connections to companies that support or have ties to Israel, weapons manufacturing and defence organisations. This includes Curtin's ties to Lockheed Martin, Babcock Australasia, BAE Systems, NOVA Systems and Huntington Ingalls Industries.

Disclosure has been achieved as a direct result of the commitment of the encampment and the Curtin community to fight for the people in Gaza. Hundreds of attendees at rallies, thousands of signatures on the open letter, the Curtin Palestinian Society lobbying directly with the University, and the support of the community have made this win possible.

- Through a Memorandum of Understanding signed with the Curtin Student Guild, Curtin University has committed to:
 1. Annually disclose the list of organisations the university has dealings with in relation to Teaching and Research that are weapons manufacturing corporations, defence related organisations or foreign government agencies or authorities.
 2. Publish an annual list of all sectors of University investment.
 3. Divest from suppliers that fail to operate in an ethical manner by avoiding causing or contributing to adverse human rights impacts when renewing contracts.
 4. Release a public position on the war in Palestine.
- The University committing to disclosure is a milestone in the ongoing campaign for Curtin University to cut all ties to weapons manufacturing. This fight does not end with the closure of the encampment, and we will not rest until divestment is achieved.
- The Curtin Student Guild have been working with the Curtin Palestinian Society in planning reconciliation activities for semester two.

2.2 Federal SSAF Agreement

- The release of the Federal Budget referenced legislation coming into effect 1 January 2025 that subject to the passage of legislation, from 1 January 2025, providers that charge a SSAF will be required to allocate a minimum of 40 per cent of SSAF revenue to student-led organisations.
- The WA Guilds have been in contact with Ministers to ensure that the federal legislations won't effect the state legislated 50% SSAF that WA currently receive. The WA Guilds have been reassured that the new legislation will include the word 'minimum' to ensure it does not affect us.
- The key concern with the legislation at this stage is the Department of Education's definition of 'Student-led Organisation' which is considered to be a society or organisation operated by students at a university, college, or other educational institution, whose membership typically consists only of students and/or alumni. The definition of a student-led organisation may include but is not limited to a student society, student association, university society, student club, league, university club, or student organisation. This is concerning as it would mean student organisations who aren't democratically elected or separate from their university, would still be allowed to receive that 40% SSAF.

2.3 Submission for No Nuclear Waste at Meeandip (Garden Island)

- The Australia Submarine Agency (ASA) has applied for a license from the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) to temporarily store radioactive waste at Garden Island at the HMAS Stirling Naval Base. This low level waste will initially be from US and UK nuclear powered submarines which will be on rotation at Garden Island from 2027.
- The Curtin Student Guild lodged a submission rejecting the proposal to store radioactive waste at Garden Island or host any nuclear-powered submarines in Cockburn Sound.
- There is an unacceptable and dangerous lack of transparency, and no clear information on what is being proposed in the consultation document. This deficit makes an informed decision all but impossible.

2.4 Student Engagement

- Approximately 400 servings of pancakes were giving out during the Guilds Brinner (breakfast for dinner) during the Stress Less Week and the Exam Weeks.
- During Stress Less week the Vice President – Sustainability and Welfare, and Vice President – Activities handed out snacks all over campus to keep students fuelled during their studying.
- Approximately 1100 students of the entirety of the event attended the end of semester party 'Barnyard Bash'.
- Student Assist provided 253 academic support sessions and 64 non-academic sessions, and 21 laptop loans were given. 9 students received emergency relief on May. The academic support sessions were mainly in relation to responding to academic misconduct or terminated status appeals.

Vice President – Education

July Representation Board

Reporting Period 15/06/2024 – 11/07/2024

Veronika Gobba (she/her)

University / External Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
18/6/24	Curtin AI Taskforce reference group	
19/6/24	NTEU (national) Gender based violence national code consultation	
24/6/24	Academic Calendar Working Group	Re: tuition free weeks placement
25/6/24	NUS Women's Officer GBV code consultation	
28/6/24	Academic Board	
5/7/24	Triple J pre-record interview	Re: Universities disclosing where they get their funding from/disclosing ties

Guild Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
17/6/24	Operations Committee	
	Executive Committee	
20/6/24	HUM Rep x VPE catch-up	
	Content Warning Good Guide workshopping (Student Assist x Exec x HUM Rep)	
	Representation Board	
24/6/24	Student Assist & Fac reps catch up	
25/6/24	Higher Ed	
27/6/24	VPE x HUM Rep Catch-up	
	Guild Council	
2/7/24	Courses Committee	
5/7/24	VPE x HUM Rep Catch-up	
8/7/24	Student Assist & Fac reps catch up	
	Executive Committee	
	Higher Ed	
11/7/24	VPE x HUM Rep Catch-up	Guild Content Warnings Guide complete, Imari is sending off to different parts of the university and HUM senior leaders. Imari has done amazing work leading this project . UQ union reps have reached out for information to us to help establish on their campus as well.

Bring back our Tuition-Free weeks

The Academic Calendar Reference group has agreed on a few variations of academic calendar models with 2 tuition-free weeks per semester, stakeholders such as PVCs, DVCAs, Heads of Schools, etc. have been sent the proposal for feedback closing at the end of July. Hopefully then we will be able to progress very quickly on deciding when the 2 tuition free weeks come back and finalise.

The National Higher Education Code to Prevent and Respond to Gender-based Violence Issues Paper

Myself, the VP-SW and President in consultation with the office bearers have submitted to the consultation of the code which can be read [here](#).

Other

- Currently in the process of preparing a report to take the university outlining the problems with assessment feedback and possible solutions based on the survey done by the faculty representatives.
- Guild reps have been asked for feedback to review the Course Quality Assurance Manual, along with student assist we will be sending our feedback.
- I have worked with student Engagement to help shift the Faculty reps away from Facebook to Instagram with IG accounts and have been liaising with reps to help plan content.

Vice President – Sustainability & Welfare

July Reps Board Report (13/06/2024 – 11/07/2024)

Jacque Bicanic (she/they)

University / External Meetings:

Date	Meeting	Comments
11/06/24	Respect at Curtin Specialist Advisory Committee	
24/06/24	Gender-Based Violence Working Group	
11/07/24	Department of Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions – Grant Funding	Met with Bree, Tanya and Emma to discuss what the grant is and if we're eligible and what we'd need to do.

Guild Meetings (Or Guild-Related Meetings):

Date	Meeting	Comments
12/06/24	Events, VPA & VPSW catch up	
12/06/24	Student Meeting	A student reached out to me to discuss the bins in the library
12/06/24	Love Week Meeting	
12/06/24	Recycling Hub on Campus	Met with Luke from Recycle Right and Maryanne joined us.
13/06/24	Reps Board	
17/06/24	Queer Officer Check-in	Discussed Pride and Max/VPA was in attendance.
20/06/24	Content Warning Meeting	
25/06/24	Higher Ed	
26/06/24	Events & VPA Catch Up	
27/06/24	CFC and Recycling Hub update	Met with Maryanne
27/06/24	Guild Council	
02/07/24	Ed Con	
08/07/24	CFC and Recycling Hub update	Met with Maryanne
08/07/24	Exec	
08/07/24	Higher Ed	
10/07/24	Collected Condoms from WAAC	
10/07/24	Collected Donations for O-Day	
10/07/24	Sustainability Projects Sem 2	Met with David and Tanya to discuss what sustainability projects I am working on for the remainder of the year.
11/07/24	Collected Donations for O-Day	
11/07/24	Mini Exec Meeting	
11/07/24	Love Week / Rad Sex & Consent	Discussed what we will be doing this semester.

Leave Taken:

Sick Leave: 17/06/24 – 21/06/24

WA Day Public Holiday

Annual Leave: 01/07/2024 and 03/07/2024 – 05/07/2024

Further Notes:

Topic	Details
Containers For Change	Have created an account for the Guild with CFC. Met with Maryanne a few times to discuss updated on how things are tracking with TOMRA re reverse vending machines. The progress is slow but I am hopeful we can put together a proposal to present to Curtin by the end of the month.
Recycling Hub	I just need to put together the final list of what we will be accepting at the hub, and which company we need to contact and set up a system to empty the hub. To begin with it will be manually emptying the hub and dropping off the items at different drop-off points. As the hub matures, I will review this process and update it as I can.
Gender-Based Violence Submission	The Guild made a submission/response to the Action Plan to Address Gender-Based Violence, and related issues.
Sustainability Week	I've been working on delivering a sustainability week as part of my KPI's. This is set to be delivered in week 6 (26 th – 30 th of August)
Lush	I have been working on fostering a relationship with Lush (a sustainable and ethical cosmetics brand) and have been able to collect wastage from 3 store locations, a number of samples for O-Day and also am in the process of negotiating a Lush Stall for sustainability week.
O-Day	I've been prepping for O-Day, sourcing donations from Andrews Succulents, Lush, The Body Shop, Officeworks, The Source Bulk Foods, and Bunnings, with some other stores yet to respond.



Faculty of Business and Law Representative Report

Name: Hannah Northey

Meeting: 18th July 2024

Updates:

Date	Meeting/Event	Comments
18/6/2024	Monthly meeting with PVC Vanessa Chang	Discussions around my campaigns
19/6/2024- 12/7/2024	On Leave	

Additional Information:

- I have been on leave for the last three weeks and therefore do not have much to report
- Now that I am back my first focus is on Semester 2 orientation next week
- I will also be continuing the work on my assignment feedback and textbook campaigns
- Official Guild faculty Instagram accounts have just been created which will be great to start working on

Science and Engineering faculty Report

Thane Roberts (They/Them).

Representation Board 18/07/2024

Date	Event type	Name	Comments
20/06/2024	Meeting	Faculty Research Committee	<p>The cost of living pressures on HDR students was discussed, as well as changes to student numbers and demographics.</p> <p>Many of the supports that HDRs can access such as stipends and scholarships are related to their citizenship. The unfairness of this was discussed as well as potential ways to better help International students.</p>
20/06/2024	Meeting	Science Board	<p>The lack of maths skills and decline in ATAR student's maths competency was discussed. More non-traditional student numbers present a challenge in bridging knowledge gaps, not every student has the same knowledge due to the difference in all the pathways available.</p> <p>Increasing workloads and management issues in Science Faculty were also commented on by panel members</p>
1/07/2024 to 2/07/2024	Conference and workshops	NUS Education Conference	<p>During the 2 days I was able to attend the NUS Education Conference I was able to learn from the workshops about the effective strategies other guilds have implemented.</p>
10/07/2024	Meeting	SAE Faculty Courses Committee	<p>New degrees, units and specialisations were discussed. These were Habitual and Land Mapping, Bachelor of Innovation & Engineering double major, Cyber Security Specialisation, Master of Science, Transitional Energy Technology and the Bachelor of Commerce & Engineering double major.</p> <p>Potential issues with</p>
11/07/2024	Meeting	Diversity Equity and Belonging	<p>We brainstormed ideas for how to improve the science and engineering faculties gender equity, accessibility and belonging. These ideas will be acted upon later.</p>

			The employee wellbeing team attended the meeting and wellbeing issues were raised.
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New Developments: Sci-Eng Guild Instagram Page launch.

With the launch of this new communication channel, the guild can increase engagement with students in the science and engineering faculty. In the coming weeks I plan on creating content about what is student assist, exam and study tips, STEM study buddies and also make fun and engaging content to help students disassociate from the horrors of STEM. My goal is to improve wellbeing, general knowledge of support services and help students develop a greater sense of belonging to their faculty and the wider Curtin Community.

As always love and peace.

**HEALTH SCIENCES REPRESENTATIVE REPORT
REPRESENTATION BOARD Meeting – July 2024**



Meeting	Date	Comments
DIB working party	18/6/24	
SDP	20/6/24	Mostly AI.
Providing VPE feedback about tuition free week changes	6/7/24	Reviewed proposals and provided my opinion.
Fortnightly meeting with Faculty Reps, Student Assist Officer and VPE	24/6/24	Quick updates, discussion about faculty Instagrams.
SDP	27/6/24	Mostly AI.
SDP	5/7/24	Single Case SDP for a complicated case – AI.
Reviewing and editing the survey for DIB working party		Ensuring inclusivity and covering the right questions/aspects regarding diversity, inclusion and belonging.
Reviewing the draft Learning and Teaching strategy and completing the staff survey	19/6/24	Reading the draft LT strategy, making notes and providing thorough feedback through the staff questionnaire.
Orientation presentations for semester 2	28/6/24	Structuring with the new brand, and changing the speech and presentations from semester 1 to include new officers.
Reviewing the Action Plan Addressing Gender-based Violence in Higher Education and providing feedback to Guild Executive	23/6/24	Provided my insights and opinions into the questions provided by VPSW.

Planning o-day and semester 2 events and notifying VPA	5/7/24	Consulted with VPA about what I require on O-day and plans for an engagement stall with faculty reps.
NUS Edcon	1/7/24 - 3/7/24	Attended full days of NUS Edcon days 1-3, took notes and actively listened to learn from the workshops.
Assessment Feedback Campaign	29/7/24	Working on the proposal report that VPE finalised.
Orientation early offers presentation	1/7/24	Presented to the school of nursing and midwifery.
Orientation presentation UG and PG	15/7/24	Presenting information about the guild to incoming health sciences students.
FCC	9/7/24	Discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comprehensive course review - Sustainability of courses - Changes to tuition free week
DIB working party	16/7/24	
SDP	11/7/24	Mostly copying another student's work and falsified documents.

Faculty of Humanities Report
Representation Board Meeting – 18.07.24

Guild Meetings

Date	Meeting	Notes
Weekly	VP-E Check-In	Check in on how I'm going, where my projects are at, and any major developments within the faculty.
14/06	Deadnaming EdCon Workshop Planning	Discussion with Jasmyne, Veronika and Zavier about running a workshop for EdCon
20/06	Content Warning Good Practice Guide Review	Met with majority of Guild Exec and Jo-Ann (Student Assist) to review the content warning good practice guide in light of the changes made after the pilot finished.

University Meetings

Date	Meeting	Notes
14/06	Focus group to discuss Curtin's draft Learning & Teaching Strategy	Focus group ran by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic (DVC-A) around the new draft learning and teaching strategy. It was a good opportunity to hear the direction that Curtin wants to take and to raise some student concerns around assessments and feedback directly with the DVC-A
18/06	Discussion of Concerns regarding Graduate Diploma in Education	Met with the course coordinator for the Graduate diploma in education (primary), and the directors learning and teaching for school of Education to discuss some questions and potential concerns I had, which we were able to resolve.
26/06	Content Warning Meeting with Barb Whelan	Touched base with Barb (Manager, Curriculum Transformation) to see what the next steps were in regards to content warnings and trying to get a list of units flagged as having specific keywords in their syllabus as well as talking about how we can try and get some form of generic content warning on to a unit's handbook page.
27/06	Humanities Learning and Student Experience Committee	We had a very full agenda this time around, including some updates from the team working on the blackboard update who gave everyone an overview of what

		to expect when the changes are made. I was also able to give everyone an update on my own projects, including the content warning and assessment feedback projects which everyone was interested in.
03/07	Humanities x Guild Check-in	Catch up meeting with Humira and Nicole, we started talking about the next steps for the content warnings project and also discussed some other engagement and student feedback plans that the faculty are involved in for next semester.
03/07	Student Equity and Inclusion Content Warning Update	I met with Leanne Haggart (Manager, Equity & Inclusion) to update her on the work that has been done on the content warning project since we last spoke. She recommended a few people who might also be interested in this project who I can reach out to and let me know what else she had found looking at the policy side of things.
09/07	Humanities Inclusion and Belonging – Update on Queer Officer Projects	Working with Zavier and Maddie (HIB Chair) to organise this chance for Zavier to present their current projects to the committee as there has been a lot of interest from the committee on areas that Zavier is currently working on.
11/07	Humanities Courses Committee	A long meeting, with in-depth discussions on each agenda topic. We continued hearing about the comprehensive course reviews that have been happening which have some interesting insights into how the courses and units offered in the faculty.

Projects

Content Warnings: A lot has been happening for this project these last few weeks. I have completed the project proposal and am now waiting for the meetings where I can present it to the university for their support. In the meantime, I have shared the latest version of the good practice guide with the Deans and Directors Learning and Teaching within Humanities as well as UniReady and the Centre for Aboriginal Studies, for them to share with teaching staff who are interested in implementing these content warnings. We have also had a page created for this project on the Guild website, so that students can see what we have done so far and can also access the good practice guide whenever they want. On the recommendation of Leanne, I reached out to Kathy Lawson (Project Lead, Student Life and Community) who is working on the Support for Students Policy implementation. I shared with her a summary of what has been done so far, as well as the updated guide and we have organised a meeting to discuss where to next in relation to both of our projects.

Assessment Feedback: Over the break I took the time to go through and analyse the data collected by the assessment feedback survey. Looking at humanities, there are clear trends in where students want improvement, with issues such as feedback being vague and generic; students who get higher marks not receiving any constructive or critical feedback; feedback given not aligning with the rubric and/or grade given; and students receiving feedback on assessments too close to or after the due date for subsequent assessments, being the most common.

Other

Student Engagement: I am currently working on the next of my email 'newsletters' to humanities students for the start of semester two. Alongside writing up the information for that, I have also started mapping out what to post on the new [curtinguild.humanities](https://www.instagram.com/curtinguild.humanities) Instagram. Hopefully the both of these will help increase student's awareness of the Guild and what I as humanities rep can do to support them, and also make it easier for me to be more connected to what humanities students are going through.

Imari Morris (they/she/he)

Faculty of Humanities Rep

July 2024 Representation Board Report – Student Assist

June overview:

Academic sessions were mainly in relation to responding to Academic Misconducts and Terminated Status appeals.

Non-academic sessions were focused on students seeking financial support.

	April	May	June
Academic sessions	196	253	224
Non – academic sessions	44	64	50
Total	238	313	272

Total may not tally as case management system calculates sessions with both case areas as a single session.

	April	May	June
Lifhack participants	107	84	129
Loan laptop	15	21	3

Welfare

Student Assist provided emergency relief to 13 students.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS COMMITTEE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (JULY)

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

INDICATOR	DELIVERABLES	STATUS
Attendance at 80% of required meetings	I will continue to attend meetings where my presence is required either in person or online.	Ongoing
Submission of monthly report to Representation Board that demonstrates satisfactory progress toward KPIs		Ongoing
Run and/or provide considerable support for at minimum two (2) events per semester (either portfolio events and/or Guild events)	I will make an effort to attend ISC semester 2 events (O-day, Café connect, ISMAPs, Pasar Malam) in person whenever I can.	Ongoing
Run and/or provide considerable support for at minimum one (1) campaign per semester (either portfolio campaign and/or Guild campaign)	Will brainstorm campaign ideas and have more discussions with ISC.	Incomplete
Completion of handover report for successor	Have yet to start but I had a quick discussion with VPSW who shared ideas with what to include in my handover report (helpful contacts, organising outlook mails by categories, ongoing campaigns)	Incomplete
Complete mandatory training within 45 days of being provided the	I have gotten the semester 2 dates for ALLY trainings which will be conducted, planning to book in a slot for myself as soon as my timetable for next semester is confirmed.	Incomplete

resources/information to undertake the training	Waiting to receive access to Guild induction training.	
Create a post, story or a reel tailored for international students on a frequent and consistent schedule	I have made a post on the ISC Instagram and Facebook page. More posts planned of upcoming events.	Ongoing
Deliver an ISC stall at O-days and orientation presentations for new international students in 2024	<p>So far, I have secured 200 USBs from P MEC and peanut snacks from Joy Mall with help from VPSW. Have reached out to Spudshed, Kmart and Coles and have yet to hear back. Yet to secure the snacks and goods, will do so as soon as possible. Thinking about preparing 200-300 goodie bags.</p> <p>Submitted a welcome video to Orientation team as I am unable to present at the International Students Orientation session on 19 July.</p>	Ongoing
Collaborate with Curtin University staff to organise support services for International Students	Ongoing plannings on Café connect and ISMAPs for international students. Also talked about support services available for international students in Orientation video.	Ongoing
Work with Guild staff to expand marketing of Pasar Malam to international students	Will conduct planning with VPA and ISC team nearer to Pasar Malam on November 15.	Incomplete
Engage with the international student committee outside of monthly meetings and provide support to help the members.	Planning on an introduction meeting with ISC (The ISC team has yet to have a first meeting this year).	Incomplete

Date	Meeting	Notes
20/06/2024	Reps board meeting	First meeting as ISC President, not enough material to submit a report.
25/06/2024	First meeting with VPSW (line manager)	Introductory meeting; went over ISC president's KPIs for this year. Created an action list for my first few responsibilities mostly catching myself up to date with semester 2 events planning and how to prepare for handover report as I go. Discussed briefly about starting an ISC campaign.
25/06/2024	Discussion with PMEC and VPE	Verified update from Department of Home affairs received from Curtin and sent out to students' email. Students. Regarding students being able to submit letter of completion after lodging 485 visa application.
26/06/2024	Meeting with Secretary	Went over timesheet together, sent previous ISC handover report, briefly covered M-files.
27/06/2024	Guild Council	
28/06/2024	Discussion with VPSW	Received the snacks dropped off by VPSW which were donated by Joy Mall. Discussed promoting their socials during O-day.
28/06/2024	Academic Board	Attended together with the President, VPE and PSC President.
01/07/2024	NUS Edcon Day 1	Criticism of the government's lack of investment in paid placements and future steps to support the campaign. Learnt about discriminatory laws faced by Palestinians in

		West Bank and greater Jerusalem. Was introduced to the four different types of boycott targets.
02/07/2024	NUS Edcon Day 2	Learnt about student welfare support services in other Australian Universities, similar accommodations problems faced, campaign done by UTS for NSW International students to receive student concession. Our very own reps' experiences working with the university and the progress of the stop deadnaming campaign so far. And tips on using media to fuel awareness & support for campaigns.
04/07/2024	NUS Edcon Day 4	Learnt about op shops run by USASA. More sharing of student support services in all areas offered by other student unions. Murdoch Uni Guild's role in supporting international students assimilate into a new environment.
08/07/2024	Filming with Digital Engagement Officer	Filmed a short welcome video for International students to be shared at the International Students Orientation session.
09/07/2024	Discussion with VPA	Suitable semester two weeks for upcoming ISMAPs.

Upcoming events and plans:

- There were three student enquiries which I received. Two of which I referred to StudentAssist (financial support and academic misconduct). I would like to reach out to StudentAssist to follow up on the current cases they are working on and the types of support that are given to international students.
- Upcoming meeting with Café Connect Team, VPA and PSC President on 16/07 to plan Café ConnectxGuild session for semester two.

- Arrange a meeting with ISC members soon, need as much help as possible from the team for O-day and other semester two events. Also, to secure the snacks/goods and bags for O-day as soon as possible. If possible, to print flyers of ISC events to give out on O-day too.
- Book in for ALLY training from semester two dates.

Postgraduate Student Committee Reports

Date	Meeting/ Event	Comments
14/6/2024	Research Committee Meeting	A regular meeting with the Research Committee and DVCR
28/6/2024	Academic Board Pre-meeting Discussion	Discussing program plans and updates about the Academic Board agenda
28/6/2024	Academic Board Meeting	A regular Academic Board Meeting with AB representatives
1/7/2024	NUS Education Conference	Attending NUS Educational Conference at Curtin
2/7/2024	NUS Education Conference	Attending NUS Educational Conference at Curtin
4/7/2024	NUS Education Conference	Attending NUS Educational Conference at Curtin
4/7/2024	Indonesian Postgraduate Seminar	PSC president attended and spoke at Indonesian postgraduate seminar held by Dean Global and International Office
5/7/2024	Meeting with postgraduate student	Assisting general postgraduate student matters
5/7/2024	Meeting with Curtin Dean Global, ASEAN	Discussing about postgraduate student supports and international student updates
10/7/2024	CAPA General Meeting document	Preparing document for CAPA General Meeting
11/7/2024	Meeting with postgraduate student	Assisting postgraduate students facing issue for their study

Activities, Events, and Students' Academic & General Issues

- The Postgraduate Students Committee discussed further support for postgraduate students at the last Research Committee meeting. We proposed a new format to support HDR students in having teaching opportunities with adequate guidance from senior lecturers.
- PSC President has met the Dean Global, ASEAN, to discuss postgraduate student supports and international student updates.
- PSC president attended and spoke at the Indonesian postgraduate seminar held by the Dean Global and International Office. It is part of a sister city program between Western Australia and Indonesia. There were 8 universities from Indonesia that participated in the seminar and discussion at Curtin on 4 July 2024.
- PSC President attended a general Academic Board Meeting held on 28 June 2024 and asked about Curtin support for international postgraduate students.
- PSC has communicated and coordinated with the Faculty of Business and Law for the next HDR Orientation in July 2024. The PSC President is asked to deliver a presentation on the HDR orientation.
- International postgraduate students studying in Perth find it very difficult to get accommodation for their family members during their studies. The Postgraduate Students Committee is working with DVCR and other teams to raise more concerns on this issue.
- PSC receives several emails from postgraduate students reporting some issues related to their studies, grades, graduation and letter of completion. PSC has been forwarding those issues and emails to the Student Assist.



QUEER OFFICER'S REPORT

Representation Board Meeting

July 2024

Zavier Wileman (they/them)



MEETINGS

Date	Meeting
14th June	Education Conference deadnaming workshop planning meeting w/ VP-E & Guild President
25th June	DCA - bathroom dignity panel discussion
27th June	School of Allied Health - inclusive bathrooms meeting
9th July	Update on QO projects for Humanities Inclusion & Belonging working group

EVENTS

Date	Meeting
19th June	Bathroom Auditing - Queer Collective taskforce
26th June	Curtin College Pride Month event
1st - 4th July	NUS Education Conference
10th July	In Dialogue: Online Freedom or Safety (YPN co-design event)

PROJECTS

We All Need to Pee: I have had good conversations with the School of Allied Health and the Faculty of Humanities surrounding bathroom inclusivity, following on from the work I am doing with the student audit. Allied Health are leading their own work to change their staff bathroom labelling to 'all gender' (as this is what is listed in MazeMaps, but is not congruent with the existing gendered signage). Humanities are keen to support the work being done by myself and the Queer Department. It is wonderful to have allies within the staff side of Curtin who can support once this project reaches its next stages.

In terms of the audit, about 90% of all-gender and accessible all-gender bathrooms have now been audited (or attempted). Out of the almost 200 bathrooms listed on MazeMaps, we have only found 73 bathrooms in student-accessible areas. What we found, overwhelmingly, was that MazeMaps is not an accurate source of information for where all-gender bathrooms are on campus, as the map lists staff bathrooms, bathrooms in the childcare centre, Curtin College, St Catherine's, and other not accessible areas for students.

To demonstrate that the inaccuracy of MazeMaps is of high concern, I have put out a survey to the QD discord server to seek information from students who use all-gender bathrooms, and find out how they know where the all-gender bathrooms are on campus. Overwhelmingly, students are using MazeMaps/Elsie to find bathrooms, showing how this is a crucial source of information for students.

All of this will inform my report on the audit once complete.

Deadnaming: I have been working with the BlackBoard team to roll out a pronoun feature with the new BlackBoard update. As of July 8th, students can now add their pronouns on BlackBoard, which will be displayed next to their name. This list of pronouns was modelled on the QD Discord Server's pronoun roles, so should suit the needs of Curtin's queer student cohort. Pronouns are visible to unit coordinators, tutors, classmates, etc. This is optional, so students are not required to put pronouns in - this is great for students who are not out yet. Students can also change their pronouns as often as they like, which is great for genderfluid students. BlackBoard's team has been clear that we can ask for the list of pronouns to be changed whenever, so if students come to me with requests I can feed this back to BlackBoard.

OTHER BUSINESS

NUS: Myself and Imari ran our deadnaming workshop on Tuesday morning, and found students were engaged and interested in what we are doing to address deadnaming. Following our workshop, several students came up to us and we had good conversations about shared issues (i.e. preferred names on ID cards and in student emails).

I will briefly note that it is of concern to me that a large Socialist Alternative presence at EdCon made me feel unsafe and prevented me from fully engaging with EdCon. My sensory needs as an autistic, anxious person means that unpredictably loud environments are inaccessible for me. I will approach future events with more hesitance.

Curtin College: I was invited to speak at Curtin College's pride event, which was a really lovely celebration of pride and encouraging allyship within students and staff at the college. A highlight of the event was the community artworks which had pledges for people to sign onto (through a painted thumbprint or signature), which was really wholesome. I look forward to continuing a working relationship with Curtin College.

Youth Pride Network: Following my concerns a few months ago about digital safety for queer students on Curtin's social media pages, I was excited to receive an invitation to YPN's online freedom vs safety event. I worked with queer advocates from other universities (ECU, UWA, and Murdoch) to explore issues surrounding digital safety and ideate potential solutions. We presented our solutions to TikTok, Project Rokit, and the AUS Youth Rep to the UN. A report from this event will be shared in the future, and I can make this available to anyone who is interested.

WOMEN’S OFFICER’S REPORT

Representation Board Meeting

Chloe/Clo Maslen (She/They)

GUILD MEETINGS

Date	Meetings	Notes
12/06/2024	Ally meeting with Imari	KPI meeting
17/06/2024	Meeting with Robyn	MATE program + extended projects
20/06/2024	Meeting with Veronica	MATE program for Execs
20/06/2024	Meeting with Filiz	Reps help
11/07/2024	Meeting with Sam Owens	Introduction

Extended notes:

12/06/2024:

I contacted Imari to talk about the ally training that needs to be changed to be more accessible for all. We are hoping to extend it to students, more specifically graduates which made us talk about the MATE program that can also be evolved that way. It was a quick chat about brainstorming the Ally training resources and changes we could do, thinking of Re-vamping the first level and making is a shorter/online introduction for level 1 training.

17/06/2024:

I had a meeting with Robyn about the MATE program and we introduced ourselves before beginning to brainstorm ideas to expand this program. MATE program is mostly a commercial or internal program so it is mostly given to staff of universities/schools to understand the struggles of gender-based violence in the workplace. We extended this idea by wanting the execs of the guild to take this program to create a safer space image for the guild and then once that is done, to give it to graduates for better job opportunities and finally to university clubs. Finally, Robyn explained to me that we could extend this to Kalgoorlie to give training to the staff there.

20/06/2024:

I explained to Veronica about the MATE program and how we could expand it to the guild which I had a positive response to from her. There will soon be more information about this topic once Robyn and I discuss more about it and settle on dates.

20/06/2024

I wanted to meet up with Filiz for help with O-day and my collective. It was a resourceful meeting where I got tips and was able to navigate my work hours better.

11/07/2024

I got introduced to Sam Owens, someone who could sponsor my events and help me out. We got to chat about my projects for this semester and it seems that my ideas were well received. We got to brainstorming and I mentioned that the International student and Sam extended that we should start planning on International Women's Day to then explain the consent laws to the international students.

Further comment:

I have slowly but surely prepped for my O-day stall and installed myself in the office, I am mainly focusing on refining my events and getting help from Sam Owens for guest speaker events will definitely help my case. The Women's room will soon have a heating pad to borrow and Jacquie has emailed for this to be official + for the process of borrowing/giving back at the front desk happens.



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July 2024

UNIVERSITY & COMMITTEE MEETINGS		
Date	Meeting	Notes
27.06.24	Meeting with Debbie The (AccessAbility Manager)	

GUILD MEETINGS		
Date	Meeting	Notes

EVENTS		
Date	Event	Notes
01.07.24 – 04.07.24	EdCon	
09.07.24	Accessibility Challenge	Presented on Sensory Rooms and provided a challenge to students undertaking the Accessibility Challenge, which is an intensive unit running across the semester break where students come up with solutions to accessibility challenges.
12.07.2024	Accessibility Challenge	Check in with the students on the progress of the challenge
15.07.24	Accessibility Challenge Showcase	Attending the Accessibility Challenge showcase night where students display the solutions, they came up with to the 5 challenged presented to them.
08.07.24 – 17.07.24	O-Day	Preparing for O-Day

OTHER		
Date	Topic	Notes
26.06.24	Accessibility Survey Collab with UWA	Posted on social media, the survey which is in collaboration with the Access department at UWA to explore the lived experience of students and the accessibility of their campuses.

08.07.24	Kumo Study	Posted on socials, an opportunity for students to trial a new app being designed to help students with ADHD
10.07.2024	Accessibility Survey Posters	Designed posters with new branding and hung up around campus
11.07.24	Social Media	Updated the Instagram icons to fit the new brand guidelines
11.07.2024	Social Media	Posted a semester two checklist post to socials