

# Vice President – Education

## October Representation Board

Reporting Period 6/9/2024 – 10/10/2024

Veronika Gobba (she/her)

### University / External Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
9/9/24	University LSEC	
27/9/24	Academic Board	Delivered Guild President report, brief discussion on Phygital, Vice-Chancellor expressed 'absolute agreeance' to the Guilds stances against moving more learning away from face-to-face, however, is not as convinced by our arguments that lecture quality needs to improve to lift attendance.
1/10/24	Courses Committee	
7/10/24	FBL Rep & FBL Dean L&T Phygital catch-up	
	University LSEC	
8/10/24	FBL Courses Committee	Attended on behalf of FBL Rep

### Guild Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
10/9/24	MD Recruitment meeting	
11/9/24	MD Recruitment meeting	
12/9/24	VPE x HUM Rep catch-up	
	Representation Board	
20/9/24	MD Recruitment meeting	
	VPE x HUM Rep catch-up	
26/9/24	VPE x HUM Rep catch-up	
	Academic misconduct catch-up w/ Student Assist	
	HUM Rep x Student Assist	School of Education issues (what's new?)
	Guild Council	
30/9/24	Higher Ed	
2/10/24	Exec Committee	
	Guild Assessment Feedback Student Focus Group	
3/10/24	Meeting w/ HUM Rep & student	Regarding Academic Integrity Warnings processes concerns
	VPE x HUM Rep catch-up	
4/10/24	Assessment Feedback focus groups debrief w/ faculty reps	

8/10/24	Meeting with former accommodation student regarding accommodation concerns	
10/10/24	Exec Committee	
	VPE x HUM Rep catch-up	
	Student Accom catch-up Student Assist & President	

**Leave taken:** 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> September

**Acting President:** 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> October

**Guild Excellence in Teaching Awards**

426 nominations were received for ETA, finalists for all faculties have been confirmed by myself and the faculty reps.



## Vice President – Sustainability & Welfare

September/October Representation Board Report (09/09/2024 – 10/10/2024)

Jacquie Bicanic (she/they)

### University / External Meetings:

Date	Meeting	Comments
10/09/24	Respect at Curtin Specialist Advisory Committee	
11/09/24	Sustainable Development Working Group	
27/09/24	One year on Postvention support for Curtin campus plan	
30/09/24	DIBC (Diversity Inclusion & Belonging)	O/b/o Accessibility Officer
01/10/24	Events Team (Curtin) Meeting with Zavier	

### Guild Meetings (Or Guild-Related Meetings):

Date	Meeting	Comments
11/09/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
12/09/24	Reps Board	
13/09/24	GUILD BALL	
16/09/24	Guild Elections	On Leave
	Guild Elections	On Leave
	Guild Elections	On Leave
	Guild Elections	On Leave
24/09/24	WAAC – Condom collection	
25/09/24	Carbon Literacy Project Facilitator Meeting	
25/09/24	Health & Safety Meeting	
25/09/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
26/09/24	Meeting with Humanities Rep (Imari)	
26/09/24	Meeting with Imari (Ally)	
26/09/24	Guild Council	
30/09/24	Recycling Hub Meeting	Library Staff, Mens Shed & Guild met to discuss delivery of the recycling hub
02/10/24	Carbon Literacy Project Facilitator Meeting	
02/10/24	Exec Meeting	
02/10/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
03/10/24	DAIP	Filiz and I met with Megan to introduce ourselves
09/10/24	Carbon Literacy Project Facilitator Meeting	
09/10/24	PRIDE EVENT	
09/10/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
09/10/24	Exec Meeting	

## **Leave Taken:**

02/09/2024 – 06/09/2024 – Carers Leave

16/09/2024 – 20/09/2024 – Guild Elections

## **Further Notes:**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Details</b>
Containers For Change	The current roadblock is with the State Government (WARRYL). I need to update my proposal and send it to them for consideration. I will continue to provide updates through my reports on the progress of this project.
Recycling Hub	We are waiting to hear back from the <i>Mens Shed (Fremantle)</i> to see if they can commission this project. We met with them at the Library and discussed the delivery, have not yet heard back from them.
Pride	Pride was a successful event. This year's event was designed to be low-sensory and accessible. The banner painting was very popular. There were many meaningful conversations had with students at the Guild Stalls and across the event.
Mental Health Week	Curtin has delivered many activities and activations for Mental Health Week. The Guild delivered fidget carts to areas not covered by Curtin's events.
Stress Less Week	This semester I am advocating for a Self-Care-Cart in addition to the snack cart. I am currently sourcing self-care products & samples from a range of companies to encourage and remind students to take time for self-care during the stressful exam period.
Plastic Free Riverpark Grant	We submitted our application for the Plastic Free Riverpark Grant, a program run through the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.
Mug Library	I did an audit on the Mug Libraries across the Guild Cafés. Overall, the project has been a success. Mugs are generally being returned; however, Concept needed a re-stock halfway through semester 2, and Mallokup recently needed a restock.



## Faculty of Business and Law Representative Report

Name: Hannah Northey

Meeting: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Updates:

Date	Meeting/Event	Comments
4/9/2024	Meeting with Student Assist	Discussion of a student issue.
6/9/2024	Assignment feedback campaign staff focus group	Conducted a second focus group with staff about the Guild's assessment feedback campaign (I could not attend the first due to the phygital student feedback session). Not a great deal of staff attendance in person so the set focus group questions were emailed out afterwards to give more staff the opportunity to provide us with their responses in their own time. This was very successful as by the deadline I had a lot of FBL staff submit their perspectives to me about the campaign.
11/9/2024	Meeting with FBL Directors of Learning and Teaching	Outlined the assignment feedback campaign to them. Discussed results and next steps around more staff opinions and an updated section of the report to be released after the student and staff focus groups have been completed fully. FBL appear happy to contribute and support this campaign further.

12/9/2024	September Representation Board	
12/9/2024	Assignment feedback campaign debrief	Planning student focus group dates, the new section of the report and the final Dean's meeting.
16/9/2024	Student meeting	Meeting with a student about an issue they are having in their major.
16/9/2024	FBL introduction to content warnings meeting	Meeting with FBL Dean Subra, FBL SE, Imari and myself about introducing Imari's content warnings project into FBL.
18/9/2024	FBL online roundtable turned update meeting	There was an FBL online roundtable event planned by FBL SE. This event had student participation after the meeting via email, and thus the meeting became an FBL SE x FBL rep meeting where discussions around my campaigns occurred.
19/9/2024	Law Dean's Forum	Attended the Law Dean's forum in the city campus where there was discussions around issues impacting law students. I mainly spoke about both phygital (which was a highly discussed topic by all present) as well as my assignment feedback campaign.
20/9/2024	Meeting with Head of School Accounting, Economics and Finance Professor Felix Chan	I provided updates on my campaigns and there was also discussion around the phygital proposal.
25/9/2024	Assignment feedback campaign student focus group fully online format	The first of two student focus groups surrounding their opinions and perspectives on the assignment feedback campaign results so far, as well as what they would like to see moving forward.
2/9/2024	Assignment feedback campaign student focus	The second student focus group surrounding their

	group blended format (in person and online)	opinions and perspectives on the assignment feedback campaign results so far, as well as what they would like to see moving forward.
2/9/2024	Fortnightly meeting with FBL SE	Discussions with student engagement around the success of the inaugural FBL Commerce Ball, my campaigns and the phygital initiative.
4/10/2024	AGM chairing information meeting	Meeting with Luke from Guild Clubs Support about my role as Chair and RO for the CBCA AGM.
4/10/2024	Assignment feedback campaign meeting	Deciding amongst ourselves who will analyse and summarise each section of the two staff and two student focus groups.
7/10/2024	Meeting with VPE Veronika before phygital meeting to discuss key areas of concern	Discussed key areas in which student concerns that were highlighted in the focus groups were not addressed to an acceptable scale.
7/10/2024	Phygital update meeting with Professor Subra Ananthram and FBL General Manager Thomas Griebel	Discussions around the results from the staff and student focus groups about how phygital is not being supported by students. Highlighting issues as not all student concerns are addressed. Informing Subra that at this stage, the initiative does not have Guild support in its current form.
7/10/2024	Law school city campus stall	A success. Had the opportunity to chat to some law students about their issues as well as give out some free giveaways. Thanks to Max for helping me set up and pack down/leave.

9/10/2024	AGM chair update meeting	Final advice about chairing and being the RO for the CBCA AGM.
9/10/2024	Meeting with Student Assist	Discussion of a student issue.
9/10/2024	CBCA AGM Chair and RO	The 2024 AGM was held successfully and the 2025 committee was elected.

### Additional Information:

#### (1) Assignment feedback campaign

- The assignment feedback campaign is progressing very well. Both staff and student focus groups have now been completed meaning there can now be a new section added to the report.
- There is also an upcoming meeting with FBL Course and Major Leads to explain the project further.
- There is expected to be another Deans update meeting later this month so as to create some viable next steps which will allow the campaign to carry on into 2025.

#### (2) Essential textbook campaign

- The essential textbook campaign is still ongoing as well. There is set to be another meeting later this month to discuss overall findings from the student survey, as well as new insightful findings from the staff survey which is currently being analysed.
- This meeting will also allow for some next steps to be discussed so that the campaign can continue into 2025.

#### (3) The law school city campus stall

- The law school stall was originally going to be in late September as mentioned in my previous report, however, a public holiday and trimester tuition free week pushed it back.
- Nevertheless, it was a success and it was nice to head into the city to engage with law students studying on the Murray Street campus.

#### (4) Phygital

- Phygital is an FBL initiative that seeks to move (many but not all) FBL units across the 3 schools in the faculty to a flipped model of learning (flipped lectures and in person tutorials) from 2025-2027.
- The main argument for this initiative was that almost 70% of students supposedly work part-time or full-time and therefore they would find this model of learning more flexible to work with.
- The Guild had been informed of this project but had not formally endorsed it given that we support in person learning. We had warned the faculty of the mixed reactions it would likely produce. There was also some issues around different information being told to different people (myself included) in terms of what the project would actually entail.



- Furthermore, in the case of the arguments in favour of flipped lectures there was the opposing elements of consideration in terms of why not use the funding this project would receive to improve in personally learning.
- There was originally blended student and staff groups however these were majorly staff represented with only a few students in attendance. Therefore, the Guild asked for purely student focus groups to be held and two were held. The results as I mentioned in my September report showed that students largely did not support phygital and preferred in person learning.
- As of this month, the phygital initiative has been informed it does not have Guild support as of right now in its current form. There have been some concessions from FBL for 2025.
- Subra is still moving forward and has confirmed he will continue to involve the Guild in updates.
- Further issues from this will likely arise leading into next year and 2026. Therefore, the Guild position should be re discussed throughout next year.

# Science and Engineering faculty Report

Thane Roberts (They/Them).

Representation Board 17/10/2024

*Table 1: Breakdown of Meetings and events*

Date	Event type	Name	Comments
12/9/2024	Meeting	Graduate Studies Committee.	This meeting discussed the issues facing HDR students. The number of timely completions were a key concern for this meeting. There were also discussions surrounding stipends for the students. There was been growing involvement from industry.
16/9/2024	Meeting	Faculty Executive Team meeting	The Meeting focused on gender equity and inclusion and covered various other topics, including health and safety, with a student and staff cricket match held under good weather. Approval for the CSIRO facility has progressed and now awaits VC approval. The recent Trailblazer event and Research Rumble were highlighted, along with a useful workshop at RMIT for data collection. The shift from face-to-face lectures towards more active learning modes was discussed, with lecture spaces being repurposed. Concerns about budget allocation, staff leave, and the administrative burden of NCP study programs were raised, particularly the strain on staff during busy periods, potentially requiring additional hires. The NCP programs currently run at a loss, and their focus on language learning was emphasized. The Gender Equity and Inclusion advisory group also addressed sexual violence on campus and ongoing discussions around improving gender balance.
26/9/2024	Meeting	Diversity Equity Inclusion and Belonging meeting	The meeting, discussions centred on two key topics: addressing sexual violence on campus and the need for ongoing efforts to improve gender balance. Participants highlighted the importance of creating safer, more supportive environments for all students, with a focus on enhancing resources and education around sexual violence prevention. In addition, concerns were raised about the impact of noise from construction projects on campus, especially for individuals with sensory issues.
25/9/2024	Focus Group	Student Focus Group	This was an online meeting where students were able to express their options on the proposals for improvement. There was significant discussion

			on the availability of past model solutions for assignments. There was due consideration given the potential academic integrity challenges and unit specific challenges for this proposal. Other issues with feedback were also discussed.
2/10/2024	Focus Group	Student Focus Group	This was an in person and online meeting were students were able to express their options on the proposals for improvement. Assessment types as well as the issues with current feedback were discussed. The group in general agreed with the proposals and were able to provide examples of were practices like recorded feedback was done effectively.
9/10/2024	Meeting and Morning Tea	FSGC morning tea	<p>During this session productive conversations were had with the academic staff. There were specific discussions about the Turnitin system and its current inability to print out submitted papers for marking and hand-written feedback. The time constraints of 15 minutes per assignment was discussed.</p> <p>A list of club emails was also shared for the HDR welcome event, later in the year.</p>
9/10/2024	Meeting	SAE committee services	The SAE Committee discussed various issues related HDR students, including the HDR welcome session, the need for better processes in requesting industry stipends and funding, and addressing equity issues. A proposal was made to create a research section on the faculty intranet to centralize resources, while concerns about limits on open access agreements and enrolment in schools where students are not supervised were raised. There were discussions on a course for supervising Indigenous students, an industry survey to gauge opinions on HDR students, misplaced completion funding, and challenges with supervisors. Foreign risk due diligence and a self-assessment form for researchers were also covered, along with formalizing the grants process for international students to maintain industry ties and explore cross-disciplinary collaborations. The committee highlighted the low completion rates in 2023, with rushed Milestone 1 submissions, and introduced the "Thesis Fest - Find Your Tribe" initiative based on feedback, aiming for it to be student-led. Ethics team drop-ins in the library were well-attended, and there are plans for a DGR forum to address issues like scholarship audits. Lastly, 32 internships have been

			completed, with over 60 more underway under RTP-defined internships.
9/10/2024	Meeting	Faculty Courses Committee	<p>Quality improvement plans for the Bachelors of Advanced Science, Computing, Information Technology, Science both Cyber security and Information technology were discussed.</p> <p>The potential for a Grad certificate in Mining was also discussed. Additionally, the shortage of metallurgists was discussed, and potential rebranding to minerals processing or a similar name.</p> <p>The engineering professional practice log book was discussed. Some competing universities have no such requirement. The log book has been identified as a key challenge for some students. The shortage of internships due to a more fiscally conservative industry being a driving factor for these proposed changes.</p>

## Summary

As can be seen in Table 1 this month focused on issues with assignment feedback, equity and course changes. Perspectives were obtained from both teaching staff and students' feedback. The key takeaway from this feedback being that both Students and Staff would like greater flexibility in the methods in which they can give and receive feedback. In regard to equity issues there are significant challenges going forward, with reduced willingness from industry to take on interns and increasing engineering student numbers there are challenges to the log book system. Additionally, there is increasing efforts from staff to address issues of inclusion of different genders across campuses.

# CURTIN STUDENT GUILD

## FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2024

Meeting/Task	Date	Comments
Assessment Feedback Project Debrief	12/9/24	Discussed next steps and timeline for the project.
Maintaining social media engagement	12/9/24 - 17/10/24	Ensuring to post at least once a week in the Instagram and Community chat to maintain student engagement.
Guild Ball	13/9/24	Attending the social event of the Guild Ball.
Analysis of the Assessment Feedback survey by school	18/9/24 - 3/10/24	Did an analysis of the statistics based on each school from the survey. Collating the findings into a presentation and speech for the meetings with the Directors and UC/CC of each school.
Meeting with Dean of LT	18/9/24	Discussing the next steps of the assessment feedback project, including liaising with the directors of each school and their CC's and UC's to introduce the project to them and formulate action plans.
DIB working party	24/9/24	Discussions on: Mentor programs for biomed first year students, and especially HDR as they are the most vulnerable. Disseminating the DIB survey through emails and blackboard and drafting the email. Providing resources for confronting materials in the survey - such as the COMPASS resource.

Meeting with 2025 Health Sciences Representative	24/9/24	Providing the 2025 rep with information on the role, the tasks, the meetings and the assessment feedback campaign. Arranged introductory meetings to introduce the 2025 rep to University stakeholders.
Assessment Feedback Student Focus Group	25/9/24	Student focus group facilitated by the faculty reps. Gauged student concerns and opinions on assessment feedback.
Monthly meeting with Dean LT and Student Engagement Manager	30/9/24	Discussed student concerns, the assessment feedback project and projects being conducted by LT and Student Engagement team.
Assessment Feedback Student Focus Group	2/10/24	Second session of student focus group facilitated by the faculty reps. Gauged student concerns and opinions on assessment feedback.
SDP	3/10/24	Mix of AI, collusion and falsified documents.
Filming a reel for the Curtin Community Pantry for the Curtin Student Guild Instagram	3/10/24	Worked with VPSW to create the promotional material of a reel to showcase the Curtin Community Pantry and information on donations and collections.
Assessment Feedback Project debrief and next steps	4/10/24	Meeting with VPE and Fac Reps to discuss the outcomes of the focus group, and allocate tasks for the next steps of the project. Arranging a date for the final meeting with University stakeholders.
Assessment Feedback Project focus group analysis	4/10/24	Analysed and summarised a section of the focus group to help build the final report on the project.

Meeting with Student Engagement Manager and Student Assist Officer	7/10/24	Discussions on concerns within the faculty, namely discrimination and lack of support, and investigations into the fieldwork section to address concerns from students.
Meeting with Director LT Population Health and CC's ad UC's	9/10/24	Presenting the findings from the Assessment Feedback Campaign and working the team to formulate action plans within the school.
Curtin Pride Festival	9/10/24	Attending the Pride Festival as part of the Mental Health Week.
Meeting with Director LT Allied Health and CC's and UC's	14/10/24	Presenting the findings from the Assessment Feedback Campaign and working the team to formulate action plans within the school.
DIB working party	15/10/24	Discussions of DIB concerns in the medical school.
Student group with DVCA	16/10/24	Participating in a student group for a workshop for determining a new Learning Management System at Curtin.
Meeting with Director LT Medical School and CC's and UC's	17/10/24	Presenting the findings from the Assessment Feedback Campaign and working with the team to formulate action plans within the school.

## Faculty of Humanities Report

### Representation Board Meeting – 17.10.24

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#### Guild Meetings

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Weekly	VP-E Check-in	
12/09	Assessment Feedback Campaign – Planning Meeting	Regrouped with the other faculty reps to plan the student focus groups and how they will run as well as to discuss the work we have each been doing in our own faculties to date.
18/09	Women’s Officer Meeting	Met with Chlo to discuss some of the things the Humanities Inclusion and Belonging Committee were discussing – including the end period poverty project and International Women’s Day 2025.
26/09	VP-SW Catch Up	Filling Jacquie in on some of the work that the Humanities Inclusion and Belonging Committee is planning that potentially can include the equity reps
26/09	Student Assist and VP-E	Met to discuss some concerns that recently came to light in the faculty and get another perspective on what the best actions are going forward.
03/10	Meeting with Student and VP-E	Met with a student who had reached out with some concerns around academic integrity warnings.
04/10	Assessment Feedback Campaign – Focus Groups Debrief and Planning Meeting	Met with faculty reps and VP-E and debriefed from the focus groups and decided our next actions for how we would analyse and break down the responses we received. Also planned to reach back out to the Academic Registrar to arrange the follow up meeting on this project.

#### University Meetings

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Notes</b>
11/09	Content Warnings Meeting with Director of LITEC	Met with J-Ho (Director LITEC) and presented what I have done so far with Content Warnings before we discussed some ideas about how to most effectively roll it out further and take next steps with this project.
12/09	Humanities Courses Committee	Discussion around a new curriculum lifecycle framework, Curtin Credentials and an update on outstanding items from the previous meetings.



12/09	Content Warning Discussion with Rebecca Walker	Met with Rebecca (Deputy PVC-Humanities) about how to present Content Warnings to university LSEC.
13/09	Humanities x Guild Check-in	Discussed the Assessment Feedback project and planned for me to attend the next Humanities Deans and Directors L&T meeting.
16/09	Humanities Inclusion and Belonging (HIB) Committee	Discussed a potential plan for ReconciliAction within the faculty based on the work and planning done by the sub-committee. Sam Owen (Director Gender Equity and Inclusion) updated everyone on her work including the planning for International Women's Day 2025 which lead to the committee discussing whether they'd want to do something for the faculty for IWD 2025. Briefly brought up content warnings again and the committee agreed that it and its members would continue to support it and advocate for its use
16/09	FBL Content Warning Pitch Meeting	Met with Subra Ananthram (Dean L&T FBL) and a member of the FBL student engagement team with Hannah (FBL Rep) to discuss the Content Warnings Project and how to raise awareness/bring it into FBL.
18/09	L&T Dean and Directors Meeting – Humanities	Met with the MCASI and DBE Directors of Learning and Teaching to go through the assessment feedback report and brainstorm some solutions that can be implemented within the faculty. They both agreed to share our focus group questions amongst their staff so that those who couldn't make the staff focus groups could still provide their thoughts.
26/09	Content Warning Good Practice Guide – Developing Student-centric additions	Met with Saul Karnovsky (School of Education) and Caitlin Maling (MCASI) from the HIB committee to discuss how we could create an addition to the current Content Warning Good Practice Guide that could be used by student when completing their assignments here at Curtin.
27/09	Sci-Eng Content Warning Pitch Meeting	Met with Marc Stoitis (Director, Student Engagement Science and Engineering) to discuss the Content Warnings Project and to raise awareness of the work within the faculty.
04/10	SDP	

## Projects

Content Warnings: Since last month I have now brought this project to the faculty of business and law and science and engineering and have the support of both of them in increasing awareness of the guide and increasing its use. Unfortunately I was unable to present at the October LSEC, and am now presenting at the next meeting in November, which is also around the time I have my meeting with the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic, Director of Student Life and Community and Director of LITEC in order to discuss the sustainability of this project and who's portfolio will take responsibility for the project going forward. Next steps at the moment, aside from preparing for those meetings, is to further develop the student/assessment focused addition to the guide, and continue the conversation with the Blackboard and Library teams to look at how we can make content warnings quicker and easier for people to use.

Final thing I wanted to note is that the guide is now mentioned and linked to in three more places on the staff portal under the learning and teaching tab, as well as having a link on Curtin's public facing [Gender Equity and Inclusion page](#).

Assessment Feedback: Both of the student focus groups went really well, with a good turn out to both sessions and a lot of really great discussions had. When the staff focus group questions were circulated among MCASI and DBE we also got a lot more really great responses from staff too. I did reach out to the School of Education to try and circulate the questions amongst them also, but I never got a response which is disappointing. We have a tentative date booked in for our follow up meeting with the university to present the results of the focus groups, which so far seems to follow what the initial survey said.

Many of the humanities staff who responded to our questions all brought up the lack of time as a key issue that is impacting their ability to give students the feedback they need.

Imari Morris (they/she/he)

Faculty of Humanities Rep

## September 2024 Representation Board Report – Student Assist

### September overview:

Academic sessions were mainly in relation to responding to Academic Misconducts responses and complaints.

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

	July	August	September
Academic sessions	335	283	265
Non – academic sessions	56	61	72
<b>Total</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>331</b>

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

	July	August	September
Lifhack participants	72	112	NA
Loan laptop	3	5	12

### **Welfare**

Student Assist provided emergency relief to 4 students.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS COMMITTEE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (October 2024)

Representation Board Meeting

Sarina Pun (she/her)

Meetings/Events Log

Date	Meeting/Events	Notes
09/09/2024	LSEC meeting	Attended online
10/09/2024	Global Positioning Committee meeting	Submitted ISC President's report and attended online
12/09/2024	Reps Board	Submitted ISC President's report and attended online
25/09/2024	ISMAP	Fewer students showed up than last month's session but considering it was Week 10. Had a discussion with P MEC as WASM International Officer reached out to hopefully bring ISMAP to their Kalgoorlie campus.
26/09/2024	Guild Council	Attended online
27/09/2024	Academic Board	Attended online
2/10/2024	Pasar Malam meeting with Events Team, VP-SW and VPA	Discussed responsibilities to prepare for the event. All plans to be locked in before October 18.
8/10/2024	Café Connect	Promoted Pasar Malam, volunteers interest check, Student Experience Coordinator Emilie mentioned she can help with reaching out to volunteers.

### Upcoming events/plans:

- Mainly preparing, finding volunteers and MCs for Pasar Malam. If anyone knows people interested in volunteering for Pasar Malam even MC-ing, please let me know to get in touch with them.
- Discussed with Health Sci Rep about implementing a community group chat with the purpose of sharing news, events and where international students can engage with one another. With the upcoming exams and long semester break where some percentage travel back to their home countries, it may not be as active to implement and promote during this time of the year. Would gain a lot more interest among new students and could be started next year especially during Orientation Week.
- Reached out to one international student looking for financial support during Pride Festival, referred them to StudentAssist.
- Nominations for ISC Committee elections were open 7 - 11 October
- Handover report to upcoming ISC President - will work on this more over the next few weeks.

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### Postgraduate Students Committee (PSC) Reports

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting/ Event</b>	<b>Comments</b>
9/9/2024	Learning and Student Experience Committee (LSEC) Meeting	Attending a regular meeting of the LSEC and discussing about learning and student experience at Curtin
18/9/2024	Postgraduate Student matters for Research Committee	A meeting with Deputy Vice Chancellor of Research, Melinda Fitzgerald, and ADVCR, Grechen, and Hannah Allan to discuss postgraduate student matters.
27/9/2024	Academic Board Meeting	A regular Academic Board Meeting with Academic Board representatives
2/10/2024	Research Committee Meeting	A regular meeting with the Research Committee, DVCR, RC Representatives
2/10/2024	Movie Screening with Faculty of Humanities and Indonesian Consulate General	Attending a movie screening presented by the Faculty of Humanities and Indonesian Consulate General
7/10/2024	Learning and Student Experience Committee (LSEC) Meeting	Attending a regular meeting of the LSEC and discussing about learning and student experience at Curtin
8/10/2024	Meeting with postgraduate student	Assisting general postgraduate student matters

## **Activities, Events, and Students' Academic & General Issues**

- The PSC President has been asked to deliver a meeting evaluation and acknowledgement of the country at the Learning and Student Experience (LSEC) Committee meeting.
- The Guild Postgraduate Students Committee and Student Assist team have attended a meeting with the Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Research and her team to discuss some important issues faced by HDR and international students.
- The PSC President has raised a concern and requested the Research Committee to support and make a writing guideline for HDR thesis writing because there is no clear guideline at our university regarding HDR thesis writing guidelines. The chair of the Research Committee has already instructed the DVCR team to learn and act on this suggestion.
- The PSC President has been invited by Dean Global from the Faculty of Humanities to attend a movie screening presented by the Faculty of Humanities and the Indonesian Consulate General at our Bentley campus.
- PSC receives several emails from postgraduate students reporting some issues related to their studies. PSC has been forwarding those issues and emails to the Student Assist.
- PSC has communicated and coordinated with the Faculty of Humanities for recent updates and issues related to postgraduate students at the faculty.



# QUEER OFFICER'S REPORT

## Representation Board Meeting

### October 2024

Zavier Wileman (they/them)



### MEETINGS

Date	Meeting
11th September	Guild x Events
25th September	DVCA x Guild
25th September	Guild x Events
27th September	Pride 2024 Reference Group
1st October	We All Need to Pee
1st October	DVCA Events x Guild
1st October	QD Event discussion
10th October	VP-SWB catch-up

### EVENTS

Date	Meeting
18th September	Peer Support Session
25th September	Peer Support Session
2nd October	Peer Support Session
9th October	Pride Festival



## PROJECTS

**WANTP:** 'We All Need to Pee' has made good progress in the last month. I used the findings from the bathroom audit and student experience survey to write up an initial draft report. The draft went to my Queer Collective for feedback, which I am currently in the progress of integrating into an updated draft. This will be shared with the WANTP committee before it goes to Properties and other relevant parties.

Additionally, I met with a few members of GEIAG this month to discuss the WANTP project and how they can best support the bathroom audit project. Someone in the group has a contact with the person who oversees Curtin's MazeMap, and she helpfully volunteered to make contact with him to find out what the process is for making our suggested changes to the map. This should be very useful in finalising the report and ensuring the suggested changes are possible.

**Deadnaming:** Following my meeting with the Deadnaming Chair last month, action has been taken to ensure students presenting to Curtin Connect are aware of support available to them through Wellbeing. These changes will be built into follow-up emails to students who request to change their name, and will also be incorporated into the Gender Affirmation Guide. I am very pleased with this progress.

**Peer support groups:** My peer support sessions are going wonderfully. I had a particularly nice session on the 2nd October with lots of people in attendance, including several new individuals. I am very glad to see how many students are continually coming along to the group, and watching peer support unfold in action.

I met with my Queer Collective to reflect on the peer support groups over this semester, and we decided to move back to just using the queer room going forward. This is because we do not have more people attending the sessions in the larger space, and so it does not make sense to go to the additional effort to bump into a new venue every fortnight if the space is not being utilised as intended.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Pride Festival:** I'll just provide a brief overview and reflection on Pride Festival. We had 15+ stalls, with a nice balance of Curtin-specific groups and community organisations. The event was well attended, with over 100 people coming by the Queer Department's stall (I counted this based on the cookies lol). I had many good conversations, and finally got some good use out of the binder fitting station! The event was engaging and had plenty of activities to keep people busy. I saw the Curtin tabletop club had a solid group playing games throughout. Challenge Brass Band had a number of students attempt to play a trumpet and listen along to the playing. I noticed many students walking around with pride pins they had made at the Makerspace stall. I was very proud of the work that went into this day and grateful to Matilda for supporting me in running the stall.

# ACCESSIBILITY DEPARTMENT



## Representation Board Report

October 2024

UNIVERSITY MEETINGS		
Date	Meeting	Notes
10.10.24	Universal Design	Jaquie attended on behalf of the Accessibility Department

GUILD MEETINGS		
Date	Meeting	Notes
03.10.24	Meagan Shand	Jacquie and I met with Meagan Shand (Equity and Inclusion Advisor) to get acquainted.

EVENTS		
Date	Event	Notes
09.10.24	Pride Event	Mental Health Week/ Pride Event - Accessibility Stall

OTHER		
Date	Topic	Notes
Fridays	Creative Connections	The past four weeks the Friday catch-ups focused on Pride themed crafts in preparation for the Pride event.
	Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Scheme	Substantial behind the scenes work has been going on between the Accessibility Department and the Social Media team to launch the affiliation. The launch date has been set to 21 <sup>st</sup> of October. The launch will also be featured on Oasis and staff portal on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> of October. Additionally, TBC, an interview with myself will be posted on the

		AC@C (Accessibility Collective @ Curtin) website, on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> of October.
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