

Undergraduate Education President Report

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June/July 2025

Item	Measure	Target*	Actual
TUSA Meetings	Attendance	8	8
TUSA Committees	Attendance	1	1
UTAS Meetings	Attendance	3	3
UTAS Committees	Attendance	2	2
TUSA Events/Trainings	Attendance	1	1
Miscellaneous Meetings	Attendance	0	0
Media Communications	Participation	0	0
Conferences	Attendance	0	0
UTAS Events/Orientation	Participation	1	1
Community Events/Rallies	Participation	1	1

*Please note that my targets for this month are of, as I was unable to accurately keep track of missed meetings.

Narrative update:

Hi all!

Since writing our last report and this one, semester one finished up and semester two has started. Between exams wrapping up and a welcome winter break during which I took some leave (25/06-17/07), it has been a slower period for me. I've had some time to recharge and hope you did too! Here are the meetings I attended since our May State Council report:

- Attended Academic Senate 16/05
- Attended the Academic System Reform – Student Pre Meeting 21/05
- Attended the Academic System Reform – Student Reference Group #4 21/05
- Attended the TUSA Team Meeting 21/05
- Attended the TUSA State Council 21/05
- Attended GBV Campaign Planning 22/05
- Met with J. Oates-Pryor, S. Ward, R. de Villeneuve, and L. McLaren to discuss the TUSA perspective on Students as Partners 26/05
- Joined a meeting organised by the student campaign group Save UTAS Arts 29/05
- Celebrated Ingrid for all the years of work at TUSA 29/05
- Attended UCUPC 04/06
- Met with B. Smith for a People Insight meeting 04/06
- Joined the tour of the Forestry Building 05/06
- Met with DVC-E L. Bereznicki and J. Oates-Pryor 10/06
- Attended the meeting with L. Fletcher to discuss the Change Proposal for the CALE 11/06
- Attended TUSA Board Governance Induction 17/07
- Attended the TUSA stall on Sandy Bay O'Day 17/07
- Attended GBV Campaign Planning 18/07

It was lovely to meet so many new faces (and see some old ones) on O'Day, and I hope everyone has had a great start to the new semester. Here are a couple of updates from me:

Academic Round Tables

I have planned to organise at least three academic round tables, which will be per topic (rather than discipline). Currently, it looks like we will have one to discuss Students as Partners across the university, one on assessment tasks – given the changes the Assessment and Results Procedure is about to undergo, and one on online learning. The latter will be hosted online, and I will reach out to staff members who are teaching online and see if they would like to help spread the word. If you feel a vital topic is missing, please let me know!

Forestry Building

Especially towards the end of last semester, there were many important discussions going on. It was amazing to see the Forestry Building in a state where it is easier to imagine what the final product will look like and have an opportunity to provide feedback. With the aim to have the building open to students in February 2026, hopefully the building can offer a central space in the city for students, as well as qualitative study spaces. There are also ongoing conversations about TUSA's presence in the city.

Further, the State Council team have done an amazing job at the Gender-Based Violence Campaign, and it will be amazing to see the posters with Heidi's beautiful artwork pop up on campus and social media.

I wish everyone a smooth start to the new semester (or my compassion if you're in trimesters...)!

As always, never hesitate to reach out to me with any thoughts/ideas/questions/concerns, I'm happy to chat!

Kind regards,
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