

Undergraduate President of Education Report

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Item	Measure	Target	Actual
TUSA Meetings Any meetings held with TUSA staff, Board members, or other student reps.	Attendance	75%	8/9
TUSA Committees This is attendance of any TUSA Committees (e.g. Board of Management, Governance Committee)	Attendance	75%	1/1
UTAS Meetings Any meetings you attend with UTAS staff whether they be one-on-one or team.	Attendance	75%	7/7
UTAS Committees Any UTAS-hosted committees you attend, such as Academic Senate and the Student Experience Committee.	Attendance	75%	3/3
TUSA Events/Trainings Any TUSA hosted events or training sessions you attended.	Attendance	100%	3/3
Miscellaneous Meetings Any other meetings you attended (for example, meetings with individual students or community members)	Attendance	N/A	4/4
Media Communications Any media communications (socials posts, media releases etc.) you participated in.	Participation	N/A	0
Conferences Any conferences you attended within your capacity as a State Council representative	Attendance	N/A	0
UTAS Events/Orientation Any UTAS-run or Orientation events you attended.	Participation	100%	0
Community Events/Rallies Any community events or rallies you attended in your capacity as a TUSA student representative.	Participation	N/A	2/4

Narrative update:

Coming towards the end of first semester, many of us are feeling the looming pressure of exams, burnout, and all the usual difficulties that can come with university life. We at TUSA are not immune to these same pressures- as students ourselves- the Student Council has been working with the universality of this issue in mind. While the current climate may feel like an immense obstacle, we have used the pressures students are under to directly inform our everyday work within university governance.

Just recently, we have seen a strong uptick in the use of TUSA's Food Hub, demonstrating both the effectiveness of an independent student organisation in delivering public goods, and how acutely students are feeling the cost-of-living crisis. This further highlights the need for consistent and guaranteed funding for essential student services such as this.

Additionally, I, alongside your Postgraduate President of Education, have successfully held our first round of Academic Roundtables, during which we heard a broad range of feedback and critique on how the university could better support the continuity and wellbeing of students' academic experience. I have also been informally meeting with groups of students, collecting and formalising their concerns in a way that can inform how TUSA governs within its academic committees, as well as how we lobby for student interests more broadly. As part of this ongoing project, I am particularly keen to meet with our distance and online students, as they represent a significant portion of the student cohort and face a unique set of challenges given the way in which they engage with UTAS. Their perspectives offer valuable insight into how we can best shape our governance within the rapidly evolving university landscape to better support all students.

Supporting our Southern Campus President throughout the rollout of our pop-up vent tents has been an especially fascinating experience, particularly in observing how student concerns and the broader student mood shift across different environments such as our various campuses and accommodation settings.

Overall, it is shaping up to be quite an exciting year, with the Student Council taking the opportunity to step back and analyse the bigger picture of the university systematically, identifying and formulating the best ways to address the overarching issues most affecting student life and academic wellbeing.

As always, if you have any issues, concerns, or need any form of support, particularly as the semester wraps up and exams draw closer, please do not hesitate to reach out to TUSA or our campus services.

If there is anything specific I can help you with, whether course issues, academic wellbeing, or otherwise, you can contact me at Undergrad.President@TUSA.utas.edu.au or solomon.doyle@utas.edu.au

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