

UNIVERSITY LIFE COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Purpose:

The University Life Committee provides a forum to discuss and make decisions about student experience matters (non-academic) to enhance student engagement, wellbeing and safety on campus and online. This Committee has oversight of Avondale Student Life activities.

Terms of Reference:

The University Life Committee receives reports, recommends to Executive and makes decisions, as appropriate, in relation to the following matters:

- a) Student wellbeing and safety
- b) Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) expenditure
- c) Student leadership positions
- d) Student orientation
- e) Other non-academic related student activities

It is also in the Committee's remit to:

- 1. Oversee strategies and events, that promote and enhance student wellbeing, mental health, safety and faith engagement.
- 2. Monitor the impact of Avondale Student Life initiatives on student wellbeing and sense of belonging.
- 3. Monitor the performance of non-academic support services and their effectiveness for supporting student wellbeing.
- 4. Monitor the inclusion and engagement of all students, including those from equity groups and international backgrounds.
- 5. Make recommendations to, and advise, the Vice-Chancellor, Executive Committee, and other standing committees on policies and practices relevant to the University Life terms of reference, particularly in relation to student mental health, wellbeing and safety.
- 6. Receive and approve recommendations via Avondale's ASA/ANSA Presidents from the ASA/ANSA committees, including the appointment of student leaders, ASA/ANSA officers, members of ASA committees, and the staff of Jacaranda.
- 7. Authorise the establishment or disestablishment of student clubs and associations based on written proposal and recommendations received.
- 8. Delegate matters to portfolio leaders and/or establish working groups, as required, including approval of student-related off-campus service trips that are not addressed by other Committee terms of reference (e.g., STORMCo or Avondale Character Experience (ACE) Lab activities).

Membership:

Student members

ASA President

ANSA President (Sydney Campus)

Cultural Officer

Student Accommodation Representative

University Staff Members

Provost and Senior Deputy Vice Chancellor - Chair

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Chaplain (LMC)

Chaplain/Student Life Officer (Sydney Campus)

Equity & Disability Officer

Manager, Housing Services (Nurses Residence, Sydney Campus)

Lead Counsellor

Residential Life Manager/s

Security Coordinator

SSAF Officer

University Church Lead Pastor

Director, Food Services

Other members may be co-opted as appropriate

Meeting Schedule:

The Committee will meet up to four times per year, with at least one meeting per semester.

Quorum:

At any meetings of the committee, a majority of the total number of members shall constitute a quorum.

Authority:

The committee reports to the Executive Committee.

Table of Amendments:

Version Number	5.0	Replaces Version	4.0, 28 May 2015
Date Published	9 February 2023	Scheduled Review Date	December 2027
Approving Body	Executive Committee	Approval Date	7 December 2022
Policy Owner	Provost	Date first introduced	unknown
Short description of	Committee name change from College Life Committee; major review and		
amendment	changes made to terms of reference and membership.		