

First Nations Representative

Position Description

Applications open from 12 am Monday 20 July, to 11.59 pm Sunday 2 August 2026

The First Nations Representative holds an elected position in the Student Senate. The position is open to Federation University students who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, studying at any FedUni campus or online, enrolled at a fraction of 0.5 or more.

In accordance with the Special Measures Section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010; the University has designated this position as a targeted Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' position. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' can apply. The successful candidate must have the ability to provide confirmation of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander Identity or a Statutory Declaration of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander identity.

The Representative will engage with, and advocate for, the diverse range of Indigenous students currently enrolled at FedUni. This representative would provide feedback and advice regarding the issues, needs, events, and cultural sensitivities relevant to those students. The representative should be aware of the cultural and social needs of students at the various campuses and how best to support their educational needs.

The successful students elected into this position will carry out the role for a two-year term, ending at the end of Semester 1, 2028 (Semester Code - 2805). Students who anticipate graduating during their term are welcome to apply.

Key Responsibilities

- Attend up to 8x Senate meetings per year
- Organise, promote and run 2x Student forums on your campuses inviting students to meet you and discuss ideas and issues.
- Gather feedback from students at your campus through a variety of Senate communication channels.
- Be proactive in your approach to working on student issues by meeting with key staff members to highlight issues with them, researching realistic solutions and assisting to implement and promote changes made.
- Support the promotion of the Student Senate and all action carried out by providing content for social media to the Communication portfolio Chair on a monthly basis
- Give a student voice to university projects and consultation processes.
- Prepare a written member report ahead of each meeting, outlining student issues and projects that you are working on, for distribution with Meeting Agendas, which you will present at the meeting.
- Take an active role in one of the portfolios (when established), targeting specific issues within the portfolio. Portfolios could include, but are not limited to, Communications, Student Connect, Academic and Buildings Portfolios.
- Attend Portfolio meetings (either by phone, video conference or in person) between each main Senate Meeting.

Representative Signature: _____

Date: _____

