

STAND UP!

FOR UMSU

Right now, students are facing the prospect of \$100,000 degrees, higher debt and shrinking career opportunities. On campus, the quality of our education is under threat and universities are being exposed for their inadequate responses to sexual assault on campus. We need a Student Union that's avidly progressive and not afraid to fight back, and Stand Up! is passionate about making sure that happens.

We're a group of progressive students dedicated to proactive and meaningful representation. We believe students should be able to rely on their Union to be a strong and strident voice in their corner while also providing them with a fantastic uni experience.

We know there's no one type of student at the University of Melbourne and together with your support we'll continue to advocate for representation, quality education and a vibrant campus for all students.

FOR YOUR EDUCATION

We believe students should be able to rely on their Union to keep them informed of changes that will effect their education & be a strong, strident voice in defence of its quality. We believe in a free and equitable education, not more debt. **We will:**

- Fight government attacks on higher education including deregulation, funding cuts & lower HECS repayment threshold
- **We will always oppose any increases to student debt**
- Secure safe **24 hour study spaces** and longer library hours
- Oppose any proposal to remove student control of timetables
- Reduce the scope for lecturers to "opt-out" of **lecture recording**
- Support better online resources, including the LMS, without sacrificing **face-to-face learning** or contact with academics
- Address the failures of the Special Consideration process and make it faster, simpler and easier to understand
- Demand increased staffing and resources for **Stop 1 and 13MELB** for better advice and shorter wait-times
- Work with the staff union (NTEU) to defend learning conditions
- Advocate for anonymous marking to prevent unconscious bias
- Ensure students receive more **extensive feedback** on assessment

FOR A SAFE CAMPUS

For too long, safety on campus has not been treated seriously by universities, that's why we're putting it at the centre of our campaign. **We will hold the University to account on its rhetoric** and make sure their words are finally backed up by real action:

- Publish **clear, up to date information** on how to report assault on and off campus and available support services
- Launching a Union wide campaign to hold the University to account on **improving reporting procedures** and cultural attitudes towards assault, harassment & discrimination
- Better training for staff in welfare and support
- Organise **consent and welfare workshops** before and during orientation with a focus on reaching colleges
- Running workshops on healthy relationships and safe sex
- Ensuring the Uni **security app** is available for all phones

THE EXPERIENCED TEAM

The Stand Up! team has a proven track record of delivering better outcomes for students. We have a long and proud history of dedicated and effective representation in UMSU, including:

- A more representative Union: Established the **People of Colour & Disabilities Departments**, increased representation of Women
- Led the highly successful campaign on campus against the Liberal Government's plans for deregulation and \$100k degrees
- Established the **UMSU Food Bank** & expanded it to the VCA
- Lowered the GPA/WAM for exchange from 75% to 65%
- Secured the mandatory lecture recording policy

FOR ALL STUDENTS

Our candidates come from all walks of life and all parts of our wonderfully diverse University. What brings us together is our commitment and dedication to a left-wing and inclusive Union that represents all students. Our plans include:

- Establishing a university **scholarship for refugee students**
- Providing more support and advice to students on their **workplace rights**, especially for international students
- Introducing halal & kosher options at Tuesday BBQs
- Continue to support the **Fossil Free MU Campaign**
- Fully fund & resource the People of Colour Dept. in its first year
- Promoting support services and reducing stigma around mental health issues with a Mental Health Week
- Continue the **weekly free breakfast** and **Stress Less Week**
- Expanding O-Week into a multi-week festival for new and returning students with engaging and diverse events
- Ensuring students from marginalised groups are included and consulted in the Student Representative Network
- Supporting **Women in STEM** with networking & industry events
- Support students who are parents & improve parent rooms

FOR YOUR UNION

Our Union is a patchwork of elements that serve all interests, from activism to activities, parties to politics and everything in between. Stand Up! believes no one part of the Union is more important than any other, that's why we'll:

- **Increase the budgets of every UMSU Department** (many of which haven't had an increase in years)
- Bring back **U-Week** – a week to promote ways to get involved in UMSU – in the first week of every semester
- Lead a proudly **pro-refugee & pro-marriage equality** Union
- Promote collaboration between UMSU departments as well as the **Graduate Student Association and UMSU International**
- Consolidate UMSU's existing volunteering programs
- Provide grants for student generated ideas and initiatives including **new volunteering programs**

- **A fivefold increase to the Activities budget and tripling the budget to Clubs and Societies**

- Brought O-Week and volunteering under student control
- Stress Less Week, **free yoga** and the free weekly breakfast
- Established, and expanded, the **UMSU Legal Service**
- Successfully lobbied for improvements to lighting & Uniwireless
- Extending MSD opening hours
- Published guide books on your rights at work
- Establishing and running the **Women's Mentoring Network**
- Published Judy's Punch (UMSU Women's Dept magazine)
- Leading the Union to progressive stances on refugees and the divestment from Wilson Security campaign

ALL STUDENTS CAN VOTE, SEPTEMBER 5TH-9TH

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VOTE 1

HOW TO VOTE FOR STAND UP!

Follow this guide by placing a '1' in the box next to the following candidates:

Stand Up! Office Bearer candidates:

- President
Adriana Mells
- General Secretary
Sarah Xia
- Education (Academic)
Amelia Saward & Millie Austin-Andrews
- Education (Public)
Anneke Demanuele & Dominic Cernaz
- Welfare
Claudia Lombard & Xu Zhang (John)
- Women's
Aisling Acton & Sonia Lim
- People of Colour
Amy Bartholomeusz & Jenny Huang

Special Representatives on Students' Council:

- Queer Rep
Jordan Peters
- International Rep
Danmei Ren
- Graduate Rep
Salimeh Javadian
- Disabilities Rep
Dannielle Thorman
- Students of Colour Rep
Darren Wong

Other positions:

- 2016 President by-election
Tyson Holloway-Clarke
- Environment Lizzie & Kate
- Queer Evelyn & Blake
- Creative Arts Harriet & Sara
- Disabilities Alston & Cass
- MUSUL Board
Louka Ewington-Pitsos
- University Council
Tyson Holloway-Clarke

STUDENTS' COUNCIL, ALL COMMITTEES AND NUS DELEGATES:

- Stand Up!**
- For these positions place a number one in the box next to Stand Up! **ABOVE THE LINE**. You do not need to number any other box.

