



University of South Australia
Student Association

President's Statement

Creation of a New University

Last night students and staff were notified that the University of South Australia and the University of Adelaide have agreed to proceed with the creation of a new university, *Adelaide University*.

Following such a significant announcement it is natural that there may be some anxiety and confusion about what the future has in store. Answers to questions will inherently give rise to further questions.

As your student representatives, we are here to help answer any questions and to navigate what this might mean for you and your future.

USASA's role in this is two-fold, firstly is our role to support all UniSA students over the course of the next few years leading up to the new university. We remain committed to this endeavour.

The second, is to help shape the new institution to ensure a better University for all students.

One of USASA's core values is the promotion of equity and access within the education sector and are pleased to see that this will be one of the core missions of the new institution.

Over the past few year's UniSA has embraced the role of the student voice in decision-making at all levels of the University, this must continue in the new institution and is an integral part of ensuring it realises it's full potential.

A new university has the potential to grant students from all backgrounds access to a higher quality education, have a richer university experience and contribute to their fields through research in new and exciting way. However, these outcomes are not to be taken from granted and much work must be done to ensure they are achieved.

USASA will continue to hold the Universities and the Government accountable throughout the transition process and ensure that no students are left behind.

USASA will always advocate on behalf of students and continue our commitment to empower you to shape your university journey.

Ngaityalya (Thank You)
(*Nai-chal-ya*)

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