

TOP 50 VOICES IN STUDENT ENGAGEMENT



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Anthea leads the development and implementation of a university-wide Student Partnership Framework. This initiative aims to embed the student voice into the university's governance and strategic decisions, particularly in areas that shape the student experience. She facilitates student leader involvement in proactive outreach efforts to tackle disengagement and attrition.



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Can you share a bit about your background and the journey that led you to your current role in student engagement?

I used to think hospitality was my calling because I loved chatting with people and getting stuck into events. But after finishing my Bachelor of Business, I landed a role helping students secure internships in their chosen fields. Seeing them grow and thrive was so rewarding! That experience brought me to the University of Adelaide, where I’ve explored loads of opportunities in Student Engagement and Retention. Now, I’m proud to say I’ve found my groove as the Manager of Students as Partners.

What motivates you to continue working in student engagement?

Just like in hospitality, you get to watch someone’s entire journey unfold—it’s amazing to see students evolve and grow in confidence. You build connections with them, and honestly, it’s so fulfilling to witness that transformation. The best part? It’s fun! Student engagement is creative and dynamic. I get to work with both staff and students, making a genuine impact on their university experience. Every morning, I wake up excited about what the day will bring!



What innovative strategies have you implemented to increase student involvement?

I introduced the "Students as Partners" framework at the University of Adelaide, and it’s been a game-changer. The framework ensures we collaborate with students in a way that’s inclusive, empowering, and relevant. We’ve seen a real boost in student engagement since rolling it out, as it provides clear expectations, solid support, and defines everyone’s roles. Although it’s still early days, the positive impact is already showing, and I can’t wait to see how it grows and shapes our university community in the future.