# **AVONDALE UNIVERSITY**

2022 PROPOSED STUDENT SERVICES AND AMENITIES FEE ALLOCATION



# WHAT IS SSAF?

The Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) contributes to the provision of important student services and amenities of a non-academic nature, such as health and welfare services, skills for studying, sporting, and recreational activities.

SSAF revenue can be spent on the following services:

- providing food or drink to students on a campus of the higher education provider.
- supporting a sporting or other recreational activity by students.
- supporting the administration of a club most of whose members are students.
- ı caring for children of students.
- ı providing legal services to students.
- romoting the health or welfare of students.
- helping students secure accommodation.
- helping students obtain employment or advice on careers.
- helping students with their financial affairs.
- helping students obtain insurance against personal accidents.
- supporting debating by students.
- providing libraries and reading rooms (other than those provided for academic purposes) for students.

- supporting an artistic activity by students.
- supporting the production and dissemination to students of media whose content is provided by students.
- helping students develop skills for study, by means other than undertaking courses of study in which they are enrolled.
- advising on matters arising under the higher education provider's rules (however described).
- advocating students' interests in matters arising under the higher education provider's rules (however described).
- giving students information to help them in their orientation; and
- helping meet the specific needs of overseas students relating to their welfare, accommodation, and employment.

# **SSAF PROJECTS AND SERVICES:**

For 2022, we have estimated SSAF revenue of \$210,000 in the budgeting process, and this amount has been allocated to the projects and services outlined below.

| SERVICE AREA   | 2022 BUDGET          |
|--|----------------------|
| Student Support Services:  | \$149,928            |
| <ul> <li>Providing libraries and reading rooms (other t<br/>for academic purposes)</li> </ul>  | han those provided   |
| <ul> <li>Promoting the health or welfare of students</li> </ul>  |                      |
| <ul> <li>Helping students obtain employment or advice</li> </ul>   | e on careers         |
| <ul> <li>Providing food and drink to students on camp</li> </ul>   | us                   |
| <ul> <li>Helping students develop skills for study by means other than<br/>undertaking courses of study in which they are enrolled.</li> </ul> |                      |
| <ul> <li>Supporting the production and dissemination<br/>whose content is provided by students.</li> </ul>                                     | to students of media |
| <ul> <li>Supporting an artistic activity by students</li> </ul>  |                      |
| <ul> <li>Supporting a sporting or other recreational ac</li> </ul>   | tivity by students   |
| I Giving students information to help them in the  | neir orientation.    |
| <ul> <li>Helping students secure accommodation</li> </ul>  |                      |
| Student Association:   | \$25,072             |
| Student Leadership on both campuses  |                      |
| Student Association:   |                      |
| ı Lake Macquarie Campus  | \$30,000             |
| ı Sydney Campus  | \$5,000              |
|  |                      |
| Total Allocated  | \$210,000            |

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# **SSAF PRIORITIES:**

In 2022 SSAF will base its priorities on the feedback from the SSAF Survey at the end of semester 2021, listed below are the areas we will continue to work towards building until semester 2 when our 2022 survey will be put out to the student body.

- I Promoting the health or welfare of students
- 1 Providing food or drink to students on campus of the higher education provider.
- I Helping Students Obtain Employment or Advice on Career

In 2022 we will continue to work within these spaces until student feedback says otherwise.

## **SSAF IN 2022:**

### **Student Service Amenities Fee Initiatives:**

Of the \$210,000 SSAF funding budgeted for 2022, \$35,000 has been allocated to support student initiatives on our two campuses. The breakdown of the \$35,000 is listed below:

Lake Macquarie Campus: \$30,000

Sydney Campus: \$5,000

In 2022 we will continue to utilize student feedback via student associations and the annual SSAF survey to understand the student voice and where they would like to see SSAF initiative funding allocated next.

### **Outdoor Student Hubs**

In 2022 we will continue to follow through with SSAF funded initiatives that were put on hold in 2019 – 2021. Outdoor student hubs that promoted well-being will be the focus, with past unspent funds going towards stage two of these projects. Students will be able to see the progress of these projects in the following months, with a budget breakdown and future proposed stages.

Listed below are areas we are still working towards building to make the student voice more prominent and present in the SSAF space.

### Student Service Amenities Fee Consultative Committee:

In 2022 Avondale University will work alongside the students to roll-out the first stages of the Student Services and Amenities Fee Consultative Committee (SSAFCC).

The SSAFCC will meet with student leaders and utilise the SSAF survey feedback to identify key areas that need SSAF funding and make recommendations on the expenditure of SSAF revenue in 2022.

More information regarding SSAF changes will be available on the student life services website.

### **Student Proposals for SSAF funding:**

Due to COVID-19 proposals were put on hold until further notice. Now with the return of on-campus learning we are working toward re-instating SSAF proposals. Proposal applications will be available online by semester 2.

The SSAFCC considers the projects and makes recommendations to the SSAF officer on the allocation of the priority projects from each campus.

SSAF funding for expenditure on capital and service improvements for these projects is drawn from the allocated \$35,000.

The student initiatives form will be available by the student life services website.

### **Important SSAF Dates:**

SSAF Survey will be sent to student emails at the beginning of semester 2.