



## CPSU NSW Macquarie University March Newsletter

My name is Kirra, and I'm the new Organiser of Macquarie University for the CPSUNSW. I'm here because as a union we really want to grow the strength of the MQU CPSUNSW.

By having a strong union, it means that you have more access to a safe and fair workplace, better Award negotiations and the ability to have input to your union.

The CPSU NSW is part of the fight to change the rules to make sure that you are protected at work after years of ideologically driven attacks on professional university staff by the Abbott/Turnbull/Morrison Liberal government,

The CPSUNSW has firmly opposed these attacks, and are continuing to fight for your rights at work. Regardless of the outcome of the election, the CPSU NSW will continue to reinstate your conditions and ensure that you're supported in your workplace.

If you're interested in hearing more about what we are doing, or you want to get more involved, email me at [kjackson@psa.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kjackson@psa.nsw.gov.au)

In order to build a strong union, it's important that you get involved too! We need your help, and by talking to people in your workplace about the union, bringing them along to meetings, or even getting them in contact with me, you're helping making your union better and stronger.

### Campus Office

The CPSU NSW has an office at **4 Western Road, Room 231**. In this office we have a lot of merchandise, posters and flyers as well as joining forms.

If you're interested in grabbing some, call Kirra on **0438 416 615**, and we can help you out.

We are usually here from 9:30am - 5.00pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays, but if you want to see us at another time that can be organised.

### Your Delegates

The PSA democratically elects delegates to the Departmental Committee to represent their workplace. They work hard to represent your best interest and make sure that your voice is heard.

Currently the CPSU has two delegates:

- Leigh Stanger  
[leigh.stanger@mq.edu.au](mailto:leigh.stanger@mq.edu.au)
- Lachlan Morgan  
[Lachlan.morgan@mq.edu.au](mailto:Lachlan.morgan@mq.edu.au)

If you're interested in becoming a delegate, or even just becoming more involved, please contact Kirra at: [kjackson@psa.asn.au](mailto:kjackson@psa.asn.au)

### Young Workers Group

Are you 35 years old or younger? The PSA/CPSU NSW has set up a young workers group in order to represent you, and give further support. We know that this might be the first union job that you've had, and so we have set up this group to both offer a mentor and networking program as well as to help advise the CPSU NSW on issues that particularly affect young people. We also run specific training as well as more social events if you're interested in that.

If you are keen in getting involved, we have a Facebook group set up which you can join [HERE](#).



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### PSA Training

The PSA offers training to all members of the union. Based on the Award, as a member of the union, you have access to 12 special paid leave days in order to undergo training with the union.

Below are some of the training and dates for the upcoming courses. For more information go to:

<https://cpsunsw.org/training-you/> or email [kjackson@psa.asn.au](mailto:kjackson@psa.asn.au)

### Training Courses

- Public Speaking - 9 April
- Care + Resilience - 2 May
- Role of the Delegate - 7 May
- Dealing with Restructures - 14 May
- Meeting/Negotiation Skills - 17 May
- Dealing with Workplace Bullying - 5 June
- Intro to the Union - 11 June
- Role of the Delegate - 19 June

### Mate's not a member?

It's the start of the new year, so there's no time better than now to join your union! Have a chat to your workmates about the union, ask if they're a member, and if not ask them to join! The PSA only works if you get involved and a great way to do that is to ask your friends to join up. Not only will you be helping make sure they're supported and covered, you're also making sure that we can keep fighting for you.

Go to <https://cpsunsw.org.au/join/> and JOIN TODAY!

### Connect online

Keep up to date with what the PSA is doing online:

- <https://www.facebook.com/CPSUNSW>
- <https://twitter.com/cpsunsw>

### Issues at work

Are you having issues at work? Please reach out to your delegate or call the PSA Member Support Centre on **1300 772 679**.

