

Editor's letter

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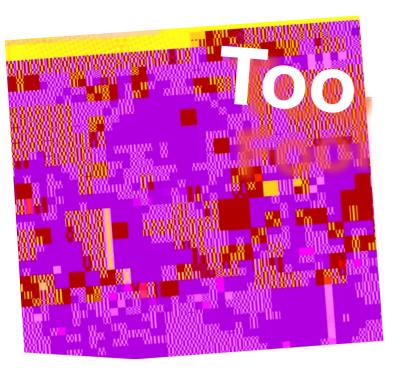
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People who follow fashion trends are simple, insecure, narrow-minded people. I can't believe how much of a fashion parade UNSW is these days.

by Lucius Burlovich

henever I'm at uni I am constantly cringing when I see so many people wearing the most pretentious, expensive clothes they own. Just to try and appear cool.

I really can't stand "guys" who wear pink shirts. Its like they're trying to say "look at me, I'm so masculine that I can wear a pink shirt and not be thought of as queer". Let me tell you, pink shirts are a sign of insecurity. And what sickens me is that it has only caught on recently. Was anyone wearing pink shirts 3 years ago? No! Guys are only wearing them now because it's cool to do it, because other people are wearing them. These guys are begging for acceptance. They must think they're so 'different' or 'innovative' by wearing a pink shirt, like they want other people to think 'ooooh he's wearing a pink shirt, isn't that wacky and fresh!!!' No buddy, its not, because almost every other guy is wearing one too.

I also can't stand guys wearing their collars up on polo shirts, so everyone can see the brand name written on the back of the collar, which is usually a word like "Industrie". Wow that's so cool, a word written the wrong way! But seriously fellas, do yourself a favour and put your collars down, you look ridiculous.

The next thing that makes me want to vomit is thongs. There are so many people with ugly feet out there who think it's alright to wear thongs. In fact, no one should be wearing thongs. Believe it or not, no one wants to see your feet, they're hideous. But the thing that really annoys me is "Havianas". \$20 for a pair of thongs? Give me a break. Woolworths sells thongs for \$3. But nooooo, you NEED to have that brand name on there. Otherwise people will think you're not cool....

Other things and brand names that people should not wear include the following: Von Dutch (soooo last year), wristcuffs (HARDCORE!!!), Diesel and Lonsdale (tough and macho), bags with only one shoulder strap (wow, so random!!!), trendy new Dunlop volleys with no laces (wooaah, so retro!!!), casual clothes with a tie! (yeeeeeah, I'm a rebel punk!!!).

What also frustrates me are those people who walk into lectures with those tacky little cups of coffee thinking they're so mature and cultured and trendy with their polyphonic ring tones and iPods, but that's a different story...



Eker LU

First year student of Media & Communication (Science). I have been involved in various students associations last year when I was doing UFY in UNSW, through holding events and volunteering with the Chinese Students Association and other clubs. This made me realize the importance of the Union and its role of creating a vibrant and active campus serving the demands of students on campus.

Union Board is where the events and activities are brought out. Also, it is a platform that students can voice their ideas and they are able to contribute actively to the Union and its operation. It is a representative of student expression as well as direct student participation into deciding how the Union works to benefit the students of UNSW.

I am confident that my work will be able to continue delivering a campus which all students can enjoy and can be proud of.

Shahid MAJEED

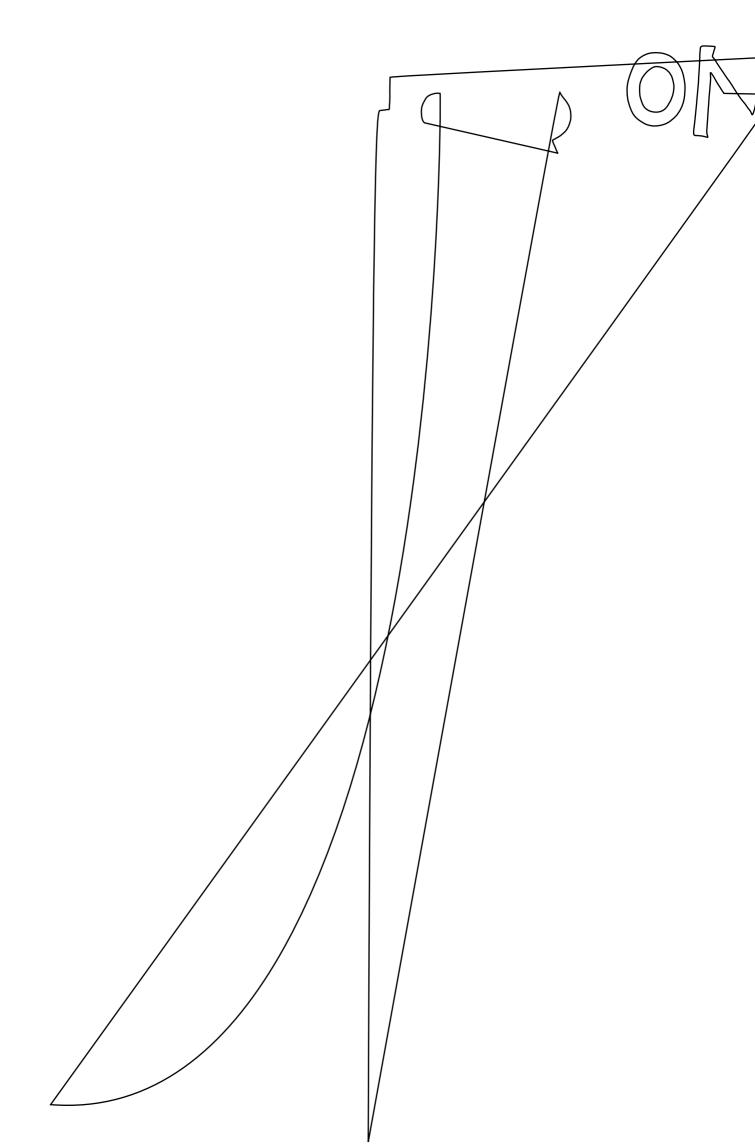
Aims and Objectives

- Developing community and collegiality within the UNSW student body and between students and other stakeholders groups such as UNSW staff, alumni and business supporters
- Providing students ample opportunities for integration to develop the social relationships
- · Increasing the level of involvement of students in all the UNSW extra-curricular programs and activities
- · Providing an environment conducive to personal, social, professional and organisational development
- · Increasing the student diversity in all the UNSW extra-curricular programs and activities

Vincent POON

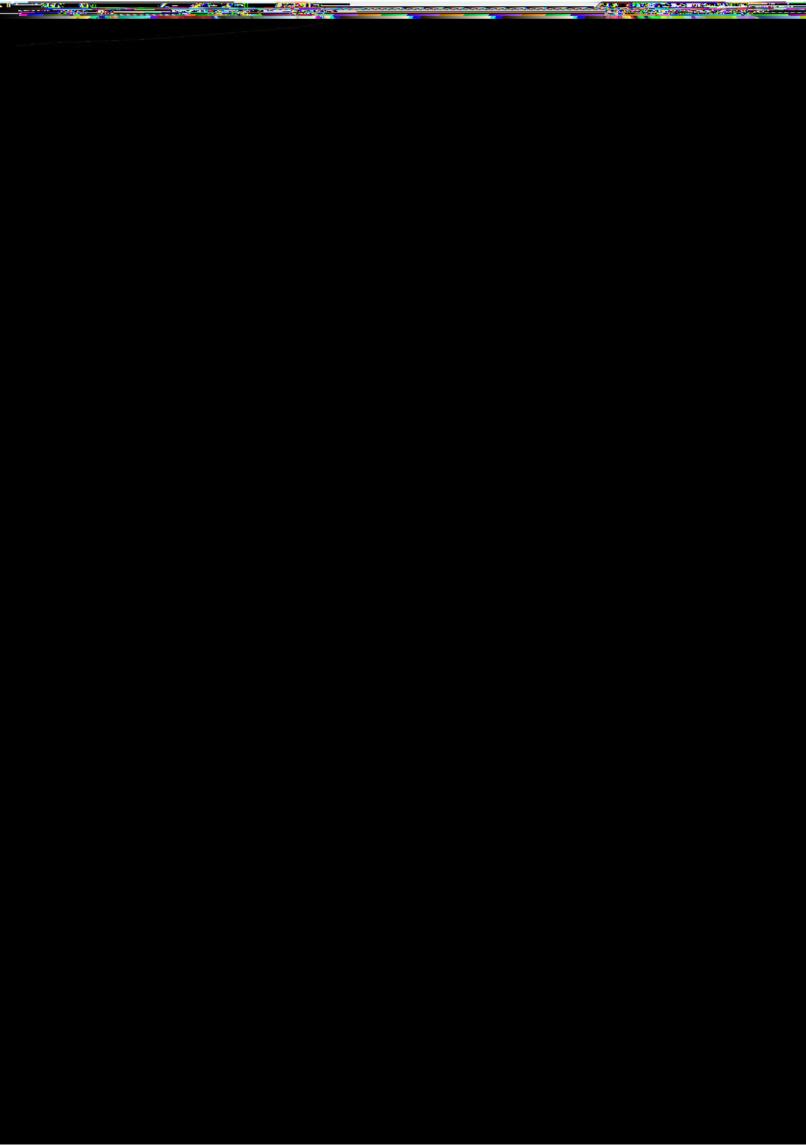
With VSU being implemented, I believe the UNSW Union will lose up to if not more than half of its revenue. I also believe that the UNSW Union is a major organisation for the students that must continue and thrive in such circumstances.

I can make a difference, with extensive background in Management and a sound knowledge of how the University functions. I hold various positions which allow me to have insights to the general direction the University is heading.





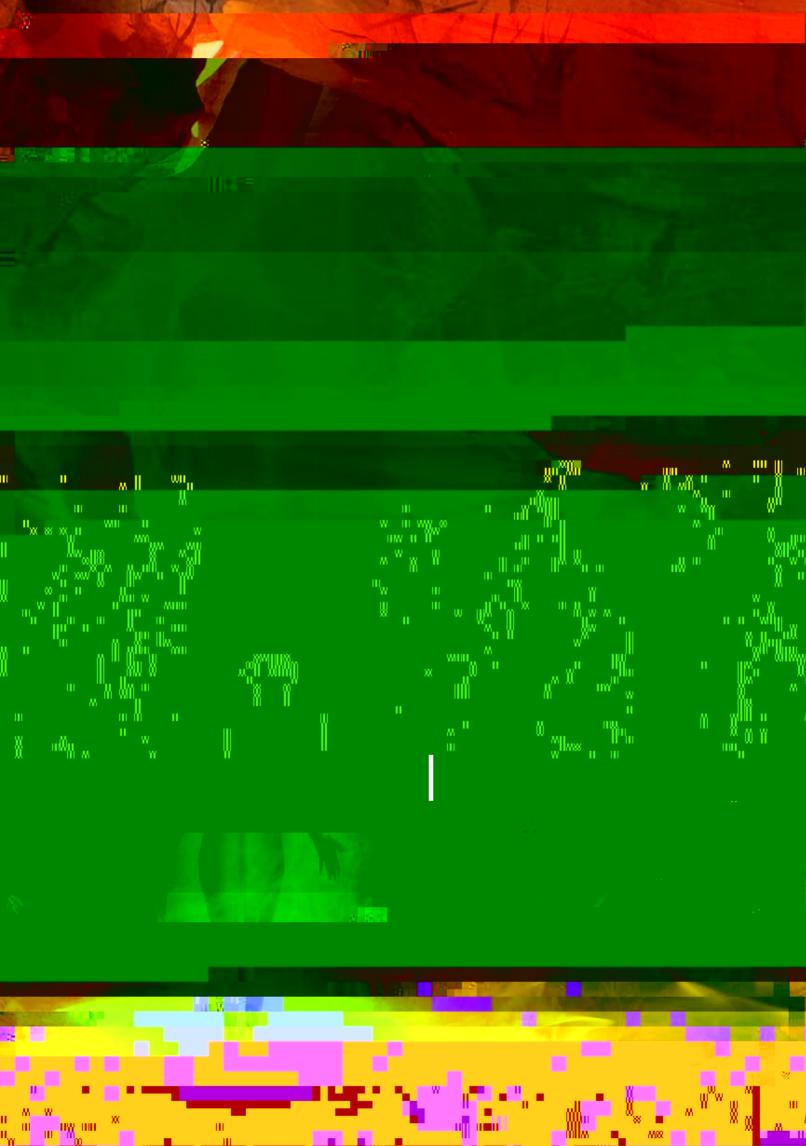






here are four categories: undergraduate fction, undergraduate poetry, postgraduate fction and postgraduate poetry. Entries for the journal and literary prize are accepted between weeks 10 and 12, closing Friday, June 9.

There are also 5 volunteer positions available for people i ro



the Sun god on his daily ride. However, if the souls of the defunct were found faulty, the demon Ammit would eat them.

The concept retains its cultural relevance today. Though the idea of punishment and reward are invoked almost universally by religions, of the so-called major fve religions, it is generally the monotheistic faiths - Judaism, Christianity and Islam - that speak of an afterlife beyond this world. So, let me take you on a quick tour of Heaven and Hell.

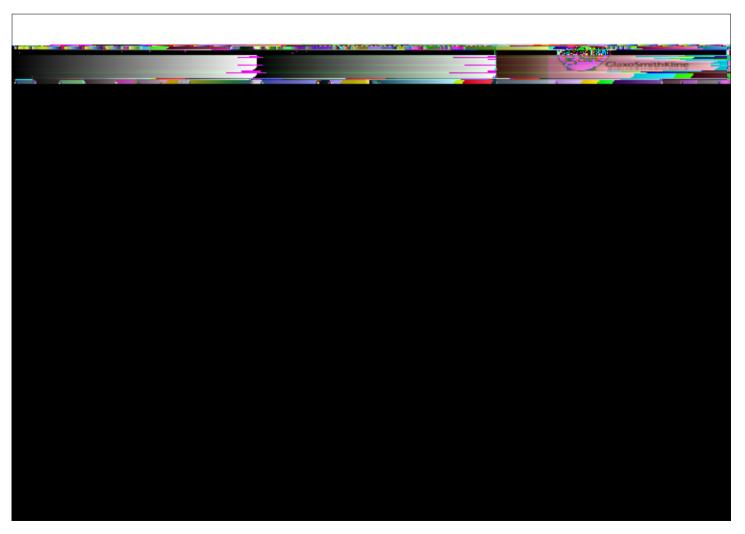
First; let's visit Heaven. In Christianity, Islam, and Judaism, Heaven is often viewed as a garden. All three also believe that Heaven is populated with angels. In the Christian tradition, Heaven is a return to the days before the fall of man, when Adam and Eve broke God's instructions and ate from the tree of knowledge. Heaven then, is a new Garden of Eden.

Traditional Rabbinic Jewish views also described the afterlife as a 'Garden'; it is the 'the world to come'. However some liberal Jews maintain that we should worry about death when we die, and that Jews should focus on Judaic practise in everyday life. In Islam, Jannah is the word for

paradise, and like Jews, they have to wait outside until the 'day of resurrection'. It is Allah's will that dictates who will enter Jannah.

In the Christian tradition, Heaven is open to some people once they die. Ideas about Heaven and salvation (liberation from sin and eternal life with God) differ between denominations; some say that entry to Heaven requires right thought and conduct, others suggest that Heaven is for those specifically admitted by the grace

of God. Some of the dead wait 16(a)-12(s)5()5(a)-13(b)-10(o)-10(u)-13(t)5(0605@004@053>9@2(e)5()560JJETBT/T171.7175 7



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