



Saleha Nadeem – Candidate Statement

PhD Candidate, Institute of Education, Arts, & Community

Berwick Campus | Federation University

Hello, my name is Saleha Nadeem, and I am a first-year PhD candidate in the Institute of Education, Arts, and Community at Federation University's Berwick campus. With over 15 years of diverse experience across secondary, tertiary, and academic support roles, I bring a strong commitment to student wellbeing, academic success, and inclusive engagement.

Having worked as an academic coordinator, learning support officer, and librarian, both in Australia and abroad; I have consistently advocated for accessible education, culturally responsive learning environments, and holistic student development. My professional journey has equipped me with the skills to navigate institutional systems, communicate across diverse communities, and build collaborative networks to support student voice and participation.

If elected as your Student Representative, I will focus on the following priorities:

- Enhancing peer support systems for higher degree by research (HDR) students
- Advocating for better communication between university services and students
- Promoting mental health and wellbeing initiatives, especially for culturally diverse students
- Creating platforms for student-led events, academic workshops, and intercultural exchange
- Strengthening representation for Berwick campus students within university-wide decisions

Education:

- 🎓 PhD in Education (In Progress) – Federation University, Australia
- 🎓 Master of Teaching (Primary & Secondary) – Deakin University, Australia
- 🎓 MS Applied Linguistics – Foundation University, Pakistan
- 🎓 Bachelor of Education – Al-Khair University, Pakistan

🎓 MA English Literature – University of the Punjab

🎓 BA English Literature & Psychology – University of the Punjab

🎓 Certificate IV in Education Support – TAFE NSW, Bankstown, Australia

Certifications & Checks:

- Working with Children Check: 3208244A-01
- Mental Health First Aid
- COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate

Technical skills:

MS Word, Excel, Outlook, MS Teams, Zoom, Moodle, Canvas, Meshed, Maestro

Core Competencies:

Emotional intelligence, Critical Thinking, Accountability

I am enthusiastic about working with the Federation University community to make student concerns visible and their ideas heard. I believe in inclusive leadership and transparency, and I am ready to serve as a strong and empathetic voice for our cohort.

Thank you for considering my nomination. Let's build a connected, empowered, and supportive student community together.

Warm regards,

Saleha Nadeem