



# SRC 2020/2021 Term 3 Report

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## Constitutional Responsibilities

According to the Stellenbosch University Student Constitution, 2018, a manager is responsible for:

- Running portfolios that entail mainly organizational or administrative functions.

## Portfolio Overview

The role of the SU International manager is to organize and administrate functions concerning the international students registered at Stellenbosch University.

The primary objective is to unite international students as a whole.

Therefore, narrowing down the divide between Euro-American and African students. With both international groups placed under the same administration (International Office), there still doesn't seem to be a coherent unity between the two subgroups, at least on the campuses.

SU Internationalisation portfolio works towards ultimately and holistically representing international students who often feel neglected on the campuses as well as the institution as a whole. In addition to this, relevant/efficient representation of these students, proves to be of immense help when they are found in times of crisis.

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## Committees / Task Teams

- African Student Board
- Institutional Advisory Committee on Internationalization
- KUKO Executive Committee

## Term Overview

a.) The Stellenbosch University International Subcommittee was finalised as per my previous reports plan. They were put to work almost immediately and were subsequently allocated their sub portfolios and have made head way.

The portfolios that I had deemed necessary within the SUI portfolio were/are the following:

Secretary

Financial Supervisor

Project Manager X2

General Member

Social Manager

Due to the national lockdown level adjustment, we had to postpone events this is inclusive of the fact that this term formed part of examination season within the institution.

Planning for each of the events/sub portfolios were completed within this term too, and finalisation of finances etc will be discussed in the upcoming meeting within the team.

b.) Re-establishment of the African Student Board for 2020/2021 was one of the main stays within my portfolio goals. In preceding years, the board acted as a platform to represent African International students and to assist with any challenges that our African Students may be confronted with. Its dedication was that of creating opportunities for African students, within South African Higher Education Institutions, to network and foster relationships.

ASB is usually headed up by executive members selected after a series of interviews, with the reestablishment planned, the ASB will be headed up by all African Student Societies chairperson`s. This will allow for better representation on the board and will assist in confronting possible challenges with a more direct and hands on approach.

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I, along with the International Office representative Angelo Jephtha, had set up a meeting to discuss what headway has been made in this regard. Unfortunately, the respective African Student Leaders of their respective African Societies, were not too responsive, thus resulting in little to no communication from those parties.

We thereby continued to meet within ourselves and set up goals and action plans that would still assist the international students that we overview.

However, upcoming meetings dates, to recalibrate and have an action plan on reaching out once more to the relevant African Student Leaders will be done in the upcoming term.

## Budget

### Budget & Reasoning

#### **1. Funds Budgeted For - R43 661.00**

Discretionary Funds - R1 000.00

**a.) External Mixer = R9 861.00**

- *Transport* - R4 361.00
- *Game Equipment* - R500.00
- *Food* - R3 000.00
- *Beverages* - R2 000.00

**b.) Internal Mixer = R4 500.00**

- *Food* - R3 500.00
- *Beverages* - R1 000.00

**c.) Masterchef International = R11 100.00**

- *Food* - R2 500.00
- *Kitchen Hire* - R300.00
- *Ingredients* - R4 000.00
- *Judges* - R400.00
- *Venue* - R400.00
- *Sound hire* - R2 000.00
- *Beverages* - R1 500.00

**d.) Open Day/Fair = R11 700.00**

- *Food* - R5 000.00
- *Marketing* - R150.00
- *Décor* - R1 000.00
- *Sound Hire* - R2 000.00
- *Venue* - R1 550.00
- *Beverages* - R2 000.00

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**e.) Treasure Hunt/Amazing Race = R5 500.00**

- *Sound hire* - R2 000.00
- *Prizes* - R1 500.00
- *Equipment* - R500.00
- *Beverages* - R1 500.00

**2. Funds Spent Thus Far**

Owing to the nature of the problems that I had to deal within this term, the budget was not put to use. This term focused on allowing the subcommittee to find their feet within the portfolio and allowing themselves to work within the allocated budget I had informed them of. The upcoming term will utilize the financial resources available.

Furthermore, adjustments within the budgeted events have occurred due to the waning National Corona Virus Policies and relevance to the Intuition as a whole. Thus, I have decided to not hold the Open Day/Fair event as its true magnitude and essence would not be accurately experienced and/or fulfilled due to the lockdown restrictions. This, however, doesn't mean that it will not occur, but should rather be looked at as pending and postponed until next year.

Reallocation of funding has now occurred due to this and a small portion of the budgeted amount will be utilised for the upcoming terms meetings that I and my team will have.

**Plans for next term**

1. Curation and execution of the events that are planned for the 4th term. These being the following:

a. Internal Mixer

b. External Mixer

c. MasterChef

d. Treasure Hunt

e. Sub-committee meetings x2

2. Continuous engagement with the International Office in relation to the groundwork for the solutions and concerns of our international students. This has been successfully laid in the second term and will require consistent commitment from this portfolio and the SRC as a collective.

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### 3. Finalisation of the African Student Board.

## Recommendations to improve portfolio

Maintaining a healthy working relationship with the international office and aligning one's year plans with their foundational prospects of international students' success. Moreover, clearly differentiating when stepping/crossing over one's scope and being able to reel it back would be of great assistance. As some, if not most events, are quite similar with those that are organized by the International office.

Additionally, learning to ask and/or reach out for assistance from your fellow SRC colleagues.

## Important Contacts

- **Angelo Jephtha** – *Coordinator: International Student Life and Success*  
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