**Code Green Representative** 

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| **Name of position:** | **Code Green Representative** |
| **Elected:** | At AGM by secret ballot |
| **Position description and main roles:**  | Educate, Inspire, Empower.The Code Green Representative helps to educate students on the topics of climate change, environmental health and the link between environmental health and human health. They inspire students to become passionate about environmental health by improving awareness about pertinent issues and educating them about what they can do. They empower students to take action for better climate health by facilitating student engagement with advocacy, engaging students in the Code Green subcommittee, assisting Insight committee members to ensure events and initiatives are environmentally-friendly and encouraging students to attend rallies, upskill and network with other advocates in the field.**History of role:**The Code Green Representative was new to the Insight committee in 2017 and worked with existing event and education teams to include an environmental component to Insight’s work. In 2018, the role continued to grow, with a creation of a green ‘hub’ in the university, and well as higher social media presence and a collaboration event with AUMO. In 2021 we established some new initiatives including a clothes swap event, ‘meatless Mondays’ potlucks at the AHMS (a collab with AMSS Philanthropy officers), and used Our Clinic Wardrobe to swap/rent/sell dresses and suits for medball. **Main Roles:*** Engage students with environmental advocacy and initiatives, including rallies such as the School Strike 4 Climate.
* Continue past events/initiatives or come up with new ones. The aim is to promote sustainability and help educate students about climate change + the actions they can take!
* Work with Education Officers to include environment-related workshops and speakers at Insight events.
* Liaise with Events Coordinators and Insight Executive for more eco-friendly events and catering (organising donated food, vegetarian + vegan options and sustainable packaging/serving options etc.).
* Host MP mail outs and advocacy campaigns in alignment with national Code Green campaigns.
* Liaise with Doctors for the Environment Australia and other advocacy groups in Adelaide.
* Use Insight’s social media presence to promote initiatives, ideas and advocacy relating to environmental health.
* Moderate the “Our Clinic Wardrobe” Facebook group – this includes approving/reviewing swap/sell advertisements for second-hand clinic clothing, and approving new members
* Maintain the Code Green presence, whether that be by Code Green corner or a social media presence.
* Writing a Code Green segment for Insight mailouts

The Code Green Representative will lead a sub-committee to continue the activities and goals as well as implement any further plans they may have. They will also communicate with the AMSA Global Health Code Green National Coordinators and may be involved on a national level. There is a lot of scope with this position to create new initiatives. |
| **Positives of position:** | * Lots of flexibility in the role!
* Develop new events, improve existing events
* Bring a new but very important environmental component to Insight’s work
* Flexibility and autonomy in a new role
* Collaboration with ed-events officers to include an environmental perspective to educational events (if desired)
* Collaboration with entire committee to assist in creating environmentally mindful events
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| **Negatives of position:** | * No existing framework for environmental advocacy within Insight.
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| **Time required:** | 1-2 hrs per week, with some more busy periods (e.g. when organising events).  |
| **Ideas for the future:** | * Work with Adelaide Uni for recycling programs in the new Medical school and hospitals
* Team up with SA Health and Zero Waste SA to minimise waste in the hospital system
* Meet with MPs/politicians to advocate for environmentally conscious policy
* Collaborate with Doctors for the Environment Australia (DEA)
* Organise donation of food to charities to eliminate food waste after events
* Integration of Code Green-related education and advocacy into current Insight events
* Work with other student societies to help improve their environmental sustainability
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| **Experience required:** | None explicitly required. Suitable for someone who is looking to become a part of Insight, has a passion for sustainability and particularly work alongside other committee members. Prior experience working in a team and with an environmental focus is desirable. |
| **Past office bearers:** | 2021: Xueying Sun (MBBS III)2020: Abby Mather (BDS III)2019: Neha Kasture (MBBS IV)2018: Shanna Lee (MBBS II)2017: Joanna Richards (MBBS III)  |