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ECU Student Guild Condemns Macquarie University Professor's Bigotry

At a meeting of ECU Student Guild's Executive Directors (Secretariat), it was resolved to condemn the recent comments by Professor Fraser towards people of African descent and other racist remarks. The Executive also condemns the Federal Minister Brendon Nelson for supporting the right to air racist remarks, and sees it as wholly unsatisfactory for members of academia to hide bigotry behind intellectual freedoms.

The position held by the Guild is that no group should be actively defamed within the University Community, and calls on Macquarie University to dismiss the Professor, for such a gross violation of this sound principle. "With Freedoms comes responsibilities to execute those freedoms with due care" states the Vice President, Br Steve "No individual should use their publicly funded position to push such forms of hatred and misinformation."

The ECU community has a diverse range of international students. It values a environment of tolerance and works towards shared understanding of cultural and individual differences in a constructive and affirmative manner.

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