

Before, mentors were just a notion or a name and now there's actually a place so it actually fits in quite well to the University 'cause any area of importance in the University has got a space, so before we actually got this space, mentors I don't think, were ta

The Mayor of Cairns Regional Council has provided recognition of my efforts to engage Cairns leaders in a program to enhance the student experience:

I was pleased to be involved in Alan Calder's leadership initiative at JCU. The students at the dinner were highly motivated, very interested in exploring the notion of leadership and keen to discover the different pathways that leaders had taken to achieve the positions they were currently in. It's something that I would be pleased to participate in again as it was a very worthwhile exercise both for the students and the leaders (Val Schier, Mayor of Cairns Regional Council, 2011).

I have taught in preparatory and transition courses since 1998 where I clarify the expectations of prospective students,
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