

SNAC PODCAST S1

The Student Hunger Subgroup is looking at designing and implementing approaches to address student hunger that are student-centered, sustainable, and humanising. One such effort was hosting a week-long indaba in 2023 with lunch-time workshops to address the question: "*How can Mandela University develop its own unique approach to student hunger?*"

At the end of the week, participants were asked, 'what next?' One of the primary responses was to continue the conversation with students across geographical spaces and virtual platforms, disciplines, and campuses.

This podcast is our effort to do exactly that.

The name - Student Nutrition Advocacy and Communication (SNAC) - was an initiative started in 2020 by a group of students alarmed at the rising hunger amongst their peers. One of these students became part of the student hunger subgroup, linking our efforts with the original initiative. By using the name they developed we honour the work they did and our commitment to build on it going forward.

We invite comments and critical thoughts, and encourage you to continue the conversation wherever you are.

The SNAC podcast is an initiative of the Student Hunger Subgroup, located in the Mandela University Food Systems programme. For more information, contact foodsystems@mandela.ac.za

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See the Hluma Indaba Report [here](#).

EP4: Food gardens (Part 1/2)

By Dr Qinisani Qwabe, Mr Mzuvukile Mapasa, Ms Buhle Buzo, and Ms Bonke Sesona

Dr Qinisani Qwabe and three of his plant production students completing their in-service learning at a garden on North campus discuss all things agricultural and food production-related to student hunger, from highlighting the potential for indigenous crops, to sharing dreams for every campus to have shared garden spaces as one sustainable solution.