

## **Glen Arthur**

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In his own words, Glen's story is about how a boy from a small country town in the Flinders Ranges was inspired and motivated to attend university and in turn inspire and motivate others as a teacher.

Glen says it is the students he has helped over the last two decades that have shaped his identity. They allow me to see the person they are and guide them to become the person they want to be, he says.

Recognising the limitations of current models of schooling, Glen has spent the past decade working with educators, schools, assessment authorities and universities to create new curricula and subjects in South Australia through project-based learning.

He has leveraged the school's unique location in a tertiary setting to the advantage of the students. Students are exposed to researchers working at the forefront in their fields, are able to get in touch with mentors and world class facilities. He is pleased that these direct connections have inspired many students to pursue particular tertiary studies and career trajectories.

Glen believes in spending time working with students to develop their critical thinking skills. He also lays emphasis on promoting their digital fluency and leveraging their ability as consumers of digital media to align to their patterns of learning.

Glen's students fill him with meaning, confidence, hope, and humanity. They remind him that education is more than content, that it is about building the foundations of the people we become. "I feel honoured and humbled to be the architect in small aspects of their lives," he says.

Glen is the recipient of the 2018 ASG NEiTA Leadership Award.