



Notice of 2025 Election of Academic Board President and Two Deputy Presidents, and Invitation to Self-nominate

What is the role of the President and Deputy Presidents of the Academic Board?

The **President** of the Academic Board is a senior academic staff member elected by members of the Academic Board in accordance with Clause 57 of the *University of New South Wales By-law 2005* and Rule 2.10 of the [University of New South Wales Rules](#).

The President chairs the meetings of the Academic Board and the Academic Board Advisory Committee (ABAC). The President is an *ex-officio* member of the University Council and other committees.

Deputy Presidents stand in for the President in his/her absence. Deputy Presidents are expected to devote approximately 25% of their time to the position. A Deputy President is expected to attend meetings of the Academic Board, ABAC, Academic Board Committees and University Committees.

What positions are available?

- 1 x President
- 2 x Deputy Presidents

What is the term of office?

2 years, from **1 January 2026 to 31 December 2027**

When do self-nominations open?

9am on Wednesday 29 October 2025

When do self-nominations close?

4pm on Wednesday 5 November 2025

How do I know if I am eligible to stand for election and vote?

If you are:

- eligible to take office on the Academic Board on 1 January 2026 or
 - continuing as a member or
 - an *ex-officio* member,
- you are eligible to self-nominate, stand for election and vote (if a vote is required).

A President or a Deputy President is entitled to serve up to 3 consecutive terms in that Office.

Can I self-nominate for President *and* Deputy President?

Yes. Candidates may nominate for one position or both positions on the understanding that the election of the President will be determined first. If one of the candidates for the offices of Deputy President has already been declared elected as President, that candidate will then be excluded from the election for Deputy President.

How do I nominate?

Please email elections@unsw.edu.au from your UNSW email address with the Subject heading:

Academic Board President/Deputy President Election, 2025

Clearly state in your email whether you are nominating for the President or Deputy President position or both positions. Your email must be **received before 4pm on Wednesday 5 November 2025**.

The elections office will send you an email acknowledging receipt of your nomination within 24 hours. Please ensure that you receive a confirmation email as evidence that your nomination has been received.

What happens next?

If multiple nominations are received for the President or Deputy President positions, elections will be held. The UNSW Elections office will contact nominees and seek a 150-word candidate statement and a photo in support of their nomination, which will be made available to voters. Under Rule 5.8 of the [University of New South Wales Rules](#), the Returning Officer may edit any candidate statement to ensure it contains no more than 150 words.

Campaigning should follow the [Guidelines for Campaigning](#).

Holding of elections

For any positions where there are more nominations than positions available, electronic ballots will be conducted from **9am on Wednesday 12 November 2025 to 4pm on Wednesday 19 November 2025**.

The elections will be conducted using BigPulse online voting.

Who do I contact if I have queries?

The Elections Office on elections@unsw.edu.au

2025 TIMETABLE FOR THE ELECTION OF PRESIDENT AND TWO DEPUTY PRESIDENTS OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD

ACADEMIC BOARD – ELECTION OF PRESIDENT AND TWO DEPUTY PRESIDENTS	
Self-nominations open	9am on Wednesday 29 October 2025
Self-nominations close	4pm on Wednesday 5 November 2025
Ballot (voting) opens (if required)	9am on Wednesday 12 November 2025
Ballot (voting) closes (if required)	4pm on Wednesday 19 November 2025
Results	As soon as practicable after the close of ballot
Term of office	2 years, from 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2027