

## **ELECTION NOTICE**

**Nominations OPEN on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017**

**Nominations CLOSE at 4:00pm on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017**

### **POSITIONS TO BE ELECTED**

#### **OFFICERS:**

- **President of the PGC;**
- **Vice President;**
- **Equity Officer;**
- **Events Officer;**
- **Coursework Students Officer** (only PG coursework students may stand and vote for this position);
- **International Students Officer** (only PG international students may stand and vote for this position);
- **Research Students Officer;** (only PG research students may stand and vote for this position);
- **Women's Officer;** (only PG woman-identifying students may stand and vote for this position).

#### **Sharing of Positions**

Up to 2 members may stand and hold any Officer position for which they are eligible, other than the President. As well as individually completing a normal nomination form, a Position Sharing Form must be jointly completed by both participants.

#### **Councillors:**

- **4 postgraduate students from Electorate A** (at least one of whom must be a woman)
- **4 postgraduate students from Electorate B** (at least one of whom must be a woman)

*(Only postgraduate students for the relevant electorate may stand and vote for these positions).*

### **ELECTORATES**

#### **Electorate A**

Electorate A is comprised of students from the faculties of Society and Culture; Education; Creative Arts; Law; Management and Commerce (including UNSW Australian School of Business and UNSW Art & Design).

#### **Electorate B**

Electorate B is comprised of students from the faculties of Engineering and related technologies; Architecture and Building; Information Technology; Natural and Physical Sciences; Health; and Agriculture.

### **TERM OF OFFICE**

Officers and Councillors hold office from 1<sup>st</sup> December in the year of election until 30<sup>th</sup> November of the following year.

Officers and Councillors may only hold any one office for a maximum of 2 years.

### **NOMINATIONS**

Nomination forms are available at <https://www.arc.unsw.edu.au/about/elections-rules/2017-pgc-elections> or from the Returning Officer.

Only postgraduate students who are members of Arc @ UNSW as at the close of nominations are eligible to stand as a candidate.

Recent changes to the Regulations mean candidates can self-nominate. No nominators are required.

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Nominations must be received by the Returning Officer prior to the close of nominations to be valid.

They may be lodged:

by Post: PO Box 42 Kingsgrove NSW 2208

by Email: [returning.officer@ozemail.com.au](mailto:returning.officer@ozemail.com.au)

by Hand: Arc Reception, Arc Precinct, Level 2, Basser College (off Basser Steps) UNSW, Kensington Campus.

Candidates may provide with their nomination a recent photograph (JPEG format) and a statement of not more than 150 words containing information relating to the candidate that he or she wishes to supply. The Returning Officer may edit such statements and crop photos if deemed necessary.

A person can only be elected to 1 position on the PGC, but may nominate for multiple positions. Where applicable, the candidate must email the Returning Officer stating their order of preference for the positions, if they were to be successful in more than 1 position. This preference may be considered pursuant to *Regulation 11.23*.

If less than or the exact number of candidates required for a position are received those candidates will be elected unopposed. Where less than the required number of nominations are received for any position, nominations will be re-opened for that position on 13<sup>th</sup> September for a week.

### ELECTORAL TICKETS (Groups)

A group of candidates may register as a ticket (*see 11.18 of the Arc Regulations*).

Ticket registration forms must be lodged by the following day after nominations close, to allow candidates time to communicate and form tickets i.e. by 4:00pm Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September. From here Tickets only require 2 members who have been accepted as candidates.

The final allocation of the ticket, detailing all candidates who belong to that ticket and their order of seniority for positions, must be lodged by the following day i.e. 4:00pm Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

### CAMPAIGNING

Only UNSW students may campaign for the Arc Postgraduate Council election. All campaign material must bear the name and student number of a candidate or group contact person who is authorising and taking responsibility of such material.

Candidates should ensure they understand the full campaigning rules, as breaches can lead to the disqualification of individuals or tickets. Further information can be found in the Arc @ UNSW Constitution and Regulations at <https://www.arc.unsw.edu.au/about/arc-board/arc-governance>

### VOTING

**ON-LINE VOTING WILL BE HELD IN WEEK 11** (commencing 5:00am Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October to 10:00pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017).

### MORE INFORMATION

Please direct all queries to Philip Binns, (the Returning Officer) via email to [returning.officer@ozemail.com.au](mailto:returning.officer@ozemail.com.au) or phone 0432 218 026.

\*Note: All elected candidates will be required to attend the PGC Induction on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017 (9am – 4pm). Please ensure you are available to attend.