

2025 POSTGRADUATE COUNCIL ELECTION NOTICE



RE-OPENED NOMINATIONS

Nominations RE-OPEN at 9:00am Monday 22nd September 2025

This notice should be read in conjunction with the Arc Constitution and Regulations available at: https://www.arc.unsw.edu.au/about/arc-board/arc-governance

Nominations CLOSE at 4:00pm on Monday 29th September 2025

POSITIONS TO BE ELECTED

OFFICERS:

 Paddington Campus Officer (only postgraduate students whose primary course/controlling faculty/school is based at Paddington Campus may stand and vote for this position);

Sharing of Positions - No PGC position can be shared.

TERM OF OFFICE

Officers and Committee Liaisons hold office from 1st December in the year of election until 30th November of the following year.

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

NOMINATIONS

Nomination forms will be available here. Forms must not be submitted until nominations are open.

Nominations must be submitted prior to the close of nominations to be valid. They may be lodged electronically, using the above link. If a hard copy of the form is required due to accessibility issues, please email ceo.admin@arc.unsw.edu.au.

Candidates must attach an image of their Student ID card (front and back) with their nomination and may attach a recent photograph (must be in jpeg format), and a statement of not more than 150 words (must be in word document format) containing information relating to the position that they wish to nominate for. The Returning Officer may edit such statements and crop photos if deemed necessary.

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

Candidates can self-nominate. No nominators are required.

Candidates cannot contest the PGC elections in the same year they expect to complete their final assessable content for their postgraduate degree.

A student cannot be a candidate in both the SRC and PGC elections in the same year.

All UNSW PGC students (including Kensington, Paddington & Canberra campus) are eligible to nominate and vote.

A person can only be elected to 1 position on the PGC but may nominate for multiple positions. If doing so, the candidate must indicate on the electronic nominations form the order of preference for the positions, if they were to be successful in more than 1 position. This preference may be taken into account pursuant

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 Ticket contact person who is authorising and taking responsibility of such material.

Candidates and ticket organisers 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

In accordance with 10.3(o) of the Arc Regulations, the Returning Officer has supplied <u>Campaigning</u> <u>Guidelines</u> to supplement 10.24.

All candidates, campaigners and students involved in the election in any way must abide by any campaigning and election guidelines provided by the Returning Officer.

VOTING

ONLINE VOTING WILL BE HELD IN WEEK 5 (commencing 7:00am Monday 13th October 2025 to 9:00pm Thursday 16th October 2025).

All students will receive an email to their university email address containing their voting link when voting opens.

MORE INFORMATION

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

IMPORTANT DATES

All elected candidates will be required to attend the PGC Induction Days (in-person, Kensington Campus) as below:

Tuesday 18th November 2025 (W10, TBC) | 9:30AM – 4:30PM | Introduction & Overview, Admin Processes, Misc. Training, Council Visions.

Thursday 20th November 2025 (W10, TBC) | 10AM – 4PM | Leadership Workshop, Gendered Violence Awareness & Response Training, Wellbeing Presentation