

# Membership

## Research Committee



University of  
Southern  
Queensland

**Responsible officer** University Secretary

**Approval Authority** Academic Board

### Membership

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| <b>4.1.1. Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) (Chair)</b><br>Professor John Bell  | Ex officio   |
| <b>4.1.2. One elected staff member of Academic Board drawn from category 4.1.11 below, appointed by the Chair, Academic Board, following an expression of interest process (Deputy Chair)</b><br>Professor Polly Burey | Term of Office: Three years, up to but not including, the regular meeting of the Academic Board in July. |
| <b>4.1.3. Dean (Research Infrastructure)</b><br>Professor Brad Carter  | Ex officio   |
| <b>4.1.4. Associate Dean (Research)</b><br>Professor Andrea Lamont-Mills   | Ex officio   |
| <b>4.1.5. Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic Affairs)</b><br>Professor Glen Coleman  | Ex officio   |
| <b>4.1.6. Pro Vice-Chancellor (First Nations Strategy)</b><br>Professor Odette Best  | Ex officio   |
| <b>4.1.7. Dean (Graduate Research School)</b><br>Professor Charlotte Brownlow  | Ex officio   |
| <b>4.1.8. Director (Office of Research)</b><br>Dr Samantha Rose  | Ex Officio   |
| <b>4.1.9. University Librarian and Director (Library Services)</b><br>Carmel O'Sullivan  | Ex Officio   |
| <b>4.1.10. One Nominee from University Research Centre Directors or Institute Executive Directors, appointed by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation)</b><br>Professor Bernadette McCabe                | Ex Officio   |

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| <p><b>4.1.11. Three Members of Academic Board from Academic Board's elected staff membership categories, elected by and from the members of Academic Board</b></p> <p>Professor Polly Burey<br/>Associate Professor Alison McCarthy<br/>Dr Anita Wheeldon</p> | <p>Term of Office: Three years, up to but not including, the regular meeting of the Academic Board in July.</p>                                 |
| <p><b>4.1.12. One First Nations Academic Staff Member, elected by and from the First Nations academic staff of the University</b></p> <p>Dr Geoff Keating</p>   | <p>Term of Office: Three years, up to but not including, the regular meeting of the Academic Board in July.</p>                                 |
| <p><b>4.1.13. One early-career academic staff member (PhD conferred within the past five years), elected by and from the academic staff of the University</b></p> <p>Dr Jenny Wang</p>  | <p>Term of Office: Three years, up to but not including, the regular meeting of the Academic Board in July.</p>                                 |
| <p><b>4.1.14. One mid-career academic staff member (PhD conferred within the past five to 15 years and who is not a member of the professoriate), elected by and from the academic staff of the University</b></p> <p>Professor Min Hong</p>                  | <p>Term of Office: Three years, up to but not including, the regular meeting of the Academic Board in July.</p>                                 |
| <p><b>4.1.15. One member of the professoriate, elected by and from the academic staff of the University</b></p> <p>Associate Professor Simon Murphy</p>   | <p>Term of Office: Three years, up to but not including, the regular meeting of the Academic Board in July.</p>                                 |
| <p><b>4.1.16 One academic staff member, elected by and from the academic staff of the University</b></p> <p>Dr Ahmad Sharifian-Barforoush</p>   | <p>Term of Office: Three years, up to but not including, the regular meeting of the Academic Board in July.</p>                                 |
| <p><b>4.1.17. Two Higher Degree by Research students, elected by and from the students of the University</b></p> <p>Sana Bashir (2025)<br/>Peter Giess (2025)</p>   | <p>Term of Office: One year, up to and including 31 March, with annual opportunity to continue membership to a maximum term of three years.</p> |
| <p><b>4.1.18 One undergraduate student, elected by and from the students of the University</b></p> <p>Taylor Mehaffey (2025)</p>  | <p>Term of Office: One year, up to and including 31 March, with annual opportunity to continue membership to a maximum term of three years.</p> |
| <p><b>SECRETARY (RESEARCH COMMITTEE)</b></p> <p>Governance Officer (Academic Board) – Tracey Tyers</p>  |   |

## Modification History

| Date       | Source         | Details   |
|------------|----------------|---|
| 26.04.2019 | Academic Board | Research Committee Re-structure   |
| 10.06.2019 |                | Update to add elected members   |
| 20.08.2019 |                | Update to reflect commencement of new DVC (R&I)   |
| 20.01.2020 |                | Update to membership 4.1.3 to reflect commencement of Faculty Associate Deans roles. Update to titles to reflect academic promotions. Update to add acting Deputy Chair and 4.1.6 due to LOA. |
| 21.04.2020 | Academic Board | Update to reflect updated Terms of Reference - Membership   |
| 20.05.2020 |                | Updates to Deputy Chair and 4.1.11 to reflect return from LOA.  |
| 11.01.2021 |                | Update to 4.1.12 to reflect resignation of member   |
| 05.05.2021 |                | Update to 4.1.9, 4.1.10, 4.1.12 reflect resignation of members and end of student representative term.  |
| 28.05.2021 |                | Update to add newly elected student member.   |
| 27.08.2021 |                | Update to reflect new term - Deputy Chair and elected members.  |
| 21.09.2021 | Academic Board | Update to Terms of Reference – Memberships; and Standing Committees and Sub-Committees.   |
| 19.04.2022 | Academic Board | Update to membership 4.1.4 due to change in Leadership Structure  |
| 25.07.2023 | Academic Board | Update to membership to add UniSQ Librarian and Director (Library Services) ex officio. Update to reflect membership changes due to resignations and LOA.                                     |
| 21.02.2024 | Academic Board | Updated to align with ToR approved at Academic Board 21/2/2024.   |
| 05.08.2024 |                | Updated to reflect new term of Academic Board and Research Committee - commencing 1/7/24 – elected members.   |
| 01.11.2024 |                | Updated to reflect changes to membership – resignation of Student Rep & Academic Promotions.  |
| 24.02.2025 |                | Updated to add new student members.   |
| 01.04.2025 |                | Updated to add new student member.  |