



AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

DECLARATIONS OF ELECTION AND NOTICE OF BALLOT ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD 2026-2027

1. Close of Nominations

The Call for Nominations for the following academic staff members of the Academic Board for the 1 January 2026 – 31 December 2027 term of office is now closed.

In circumstances where there are an equal number to or fewer nominations than positions available, the candidates are to be declared elected, as detailed in **Attachment 1**.

Where there are more candidates than the number of positions, a ballot will be conducted, as detailed in **Attachment 2**.

2. Voting and Eligibility

Academic staff members from the specific electorates noted in Attachment 2 are eligible to vote in the elections for academic staff representatives on the Academic Board. Eligible staff will be directly invited to vote by the Governance Directorate and voting will take place using the BigPulse online voting system, according to the timeline detailed in Item 3 below.

3. Election Timeline

The election timeline to conduct the polls is as follows:

Wednesday, 22 October 2025, 10:00am AEDT	Voting opens
Wednesday, 5 November 2025, 4:00pm AEDT	Voting closes
Week of Monday, 10 November 2025	Declaration of ballot(s)

4. Further information

Further information may be obtained by emailing the Governance Directorate via governance.elections@acu.edu.au

Dr Diane Barker
Returning Officer
20 October 2025

CANDIDATES ELECTED UNOPPOSED

Faculty of Education and Arts – Academic Staff Level E	Professor Theresa Dicke
Faculty of Law and Business – Academic Staff Level E	Professor Tony Ciro
	Professor Ambika Zutshi
Faculty of Theology and Philosophy – Academic Staff Level E	Professor Michael Champion
	Professor Robyn Horner

**BALLOTS TO BE CONDUCTED
INCLUDING CANDIDATE NAMES**

Faculty of Education and Arts – Academic Staff Levels A-D	A/Prof Colette Alexander
	Ondine Bradbury
	Dr Shane Byrne
	Dr Jessica Collins-Bojovic
	A/Prof Duncan Cook
	A/Prof Wendy Goff
	Dr Michelle Gorzanelli
	Dr Kylie Kerr
	A/Prof Paul Kidson
	A/Prof Jenny Martin
	Dr Kathleen McGuire
	Dr Rebecca Pagano
	Dr Delyse Ryan
	Dr Jonathon Sargeant
	A/Prof Darius von Guttner
	A/Prof Matthew Zbaracki
Faculty of Health Sciences – Academic Staff Level E	Professor Justin Kemp
	Professor Lois McKellar
	Professor Jenny Sim

Faculty of Health Sciences – Academic Staff Levels A-D	Dr Clare Cole
	Dr Mandy El Ali
	A/Prof Francesca Fernandez
	Dr Sara Kathleen Geale
	Dr Ann-Marie Gibson
	Dr Kathleen Hall
	Dr Flora He
	Dr Douglas Jackson
	A/Prof Leah Kaufmann
	A/Prof Rebecca O'Reilly
	Sigrid Pitkin
	Tristan Terry
Faculty of Law and Business – Academic Staff Levels A-D	Dr Adam Arian
	A/Prof Syed Muhammad Fazal-e-Hasan
	A/Prof Walayat Hussain
	Dr Jak Kakhkharov
	Dr Matthew Morgan
	A/Prof Niusha Shafiabady
	Dr Bill Swannie
	Dr Stefani Vasil
Faculty of Theology and Philosophy – Academic Staff Levels A-D	A/Prof Ben Edsall
	A/Prof Michael Hanaghan
	Dr Jason McFarland
	Dr Antonia Pizzey
	Dr Gareth Wearne
	A/Prof Jonathan Zecher