



ELECTION OF A MEMBER OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD TO THE POSITION OF THE DEPUTY CHAIR OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD

Terms of office: commencing 1 April 2026 and concluding 31 March 2028.

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

**Brad
CAREY**



I, Brad Carey, am seeking the endorsement of members of the Academic Board for the position of Deputy Chair of the Academic Board. During my time at Curtin, I have held a range of leadership roles, including Course Coordinator for the Master of Project Management, Discipline Lead, Deputy Head of School, and Associate Dean of Learning and Teaching. Across these roles, I have worked closely with academic governance processes, accreditation requirements, and policy approval at both the School and University levels. I bring practical experience chairing committees and managing the day-to-day realities of academic governance, together with an industry background that informs my approach to quality and standards. I would be honoured to support the Chair in the work of the Academic Board and to help ensure its oversight of Curtin's academic operations continues to serve students and colleagues well.

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**Kirsten
HOLMES**



I am a teaching and research Professor in the School of Management and Marketing. I joined Curtin in 2007 as postdoctoral researcher and have held various teaching, research and leadership roles across three different schools. I served as the Faculty of Business and Law's Dean of Research, implementing numerous initiatives to support staff and grow our research and have recently been elected as the faculty representative to the University Research Committee.

I have served on Academic Board since 2022 as an elected FBL representative. In this role I have sought to ensure the views of staff are heard at the highest levels within the university. I strongly value Academic Board as a forum for academic staff to have a strong voice in shaping the university's strategy and for advocating for academic standards across teaching and research. I would welcome the opportunity to support this valuable community as Deputy Chair.

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**Jonathan
PAXMAN**



I have been a proud member of the Curtin community for nearly 20 years, serving as Dean of Engineering, Head of School, Associate Dean T&L and course coordinator, all while maintaining an active portfolio of teaching, research and supervision. I also founded Curtin's award-winning Rhythmos Choir in 2014. I have served over seven years as a member of Academic Board since 2015, including a period on the Executive.

Through these roles I have led curriculum renewal, strengthened industry partnerships, and supported staff and students through challenges. That experience has given me deep institutional knowledge, a commitment to academic governance, quality and integrity, and a focus on equitable outcomes for all staff and students.

If elected, I will bring that knowledge and an independent voice to the leadership of Academic Board, focused on supporting excellence in teaching, research and student experience, and ensuring decisions are informed by staff and student engagement.

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**Dylan
STORER**



Academic Board must be led by people who respect its purpose: thoughtful debate, sound judgement and protection of academic standards. I am nominating for Deputy Chair because I believe students and staff alike can, and should, contribute seriously to that work.

Over two years as Guild President, I have been a consistent and constructive member of Academic Board and Academic Board Executive. I have served as the undergraduate member of University Council, Deputy Chair of the University SSAF Advisory Committee, on the Global Positioning Committee, non-profit governing boards, and now, the Australian Centre for Student Equity & Success Advisory Board. These roles have taught that good governance requires preparation, independence, and commitment to putting the institution's values first.

At a time of rapid reform and possible mergers, electing the Guild President as Deputy Chair would send a powerful message: Curtin values shared governance and trusts students to help defend it.

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