



2017 Annual Guild and NUS Elections

Nominations are invited from interested and eligible persons for the following positions in the 2017 Annual Guild and NUS elections:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• President• Education Vice President• Activities Vice President• General Secretary• Curtin Business School Representative• Faculty of Science and Engineering Representative• Faculty of Health Sciences Representative• Faculty of Humanities Representative | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• International Students Committee President• Postgraduate Students Committee President• Queer Officers (two persons must nominate together)• Women's Officer• Indigenous Officer• Students with Disabilities Officer• Guild Councillors (10)• National Union of Students Delegates (NUS) (7) |
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Nomination forms will be accepted from **9.00 am Monday 14 August 2017**. Nomination forms, group registration and other election forms are available during business hours from the Curtin Student Guild Office at the following location: Building 106F, Curtin University, Kent Street, BENTLEY and may be downloaded from the Guild webpage.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

A candidate shall be eligible for Election to the Guild Council if they:

(a) Hold the general qualifications listed in Schedule C (1), namely:

- a) be an Enrolled Student at least seven (7) days prior to the opening of nominations;
- b) be a Guild Member at least seven (7) days prior to the opening of nominations; and
- c) study at Curtin University at a Curtin University campus in Western Australia or otherwise reside in the State of Western Australia.
- d) be eighteen (18) years of age or older, as at the date the Candidate is appointed as an Officer of the Guild, should they be elected.

(b) Do not hold any of the general disqualifications specified in Schedule C (2), specifically a Candidate shall be ineligible for election to the Guild Council if the Candidate meets any of the following;

- a) is currently or have within the last five (5) years been a Staff member of the Guild;
- b) is a Staff Member of the University;
- c) is an undischarged bankrupt, or a debtor against whose estate there is a subsisting receiving order in bankruptcy;
- d) is incarcerated;
- e) has been convicted on indictment of an offence for which the indictable penalty was or included imprisonment for life or imprisonment for more than five (5) years;
- f) is certified as needing treatment in an approved psychiatric hospital;
- g) is disqualified under any provision of the Guild Statute Book
- h) is disqualified due to any requirement of a Visa they may hold;
- i) is disqualified due to any act, statute, regulation, rule or by-law in force in the State of Western Australia over the Guild.

and

(c) meet the specific qualifications and/or disqualifications applicable to that particular office specified in Schedule C (3), namely a Candidate shall meet the following specific qualifications for the following roles:

PRESIDENT

A Candidate for President shall not:

- (a) have held the office of President more than twice; and/or
- (b) hold a visa that limits the amount of work in which a person may be engaged to less than 75 hours a fortnight.

EDUCATION VICE PRESIDENT

A Candidate for Education Vice President shall not:

- (a) have held the office of Education Vice President more than twice; and/or
- (b) hold a visa that limits the amount of work in which a person may be engaged to less than 75 hours a fortnight.

ACTIVITIES VICE PRESIDENT

A Candidate for Activities Vice President shall not:

- (a) have held the office of Activities Vice President more than twice; and/or
- (b) hold a visa that limits the amount of work in which a person may be engaged to less than 75 hours a fortnight.

GENERAL SECRETARY

A Candidate for General Secretary shall not have held office of General Secretary more than twice.

FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE

A Candidate for Faculty Representative must be currently enrolled within an undergraduate course in the Faculty they seek to represent.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS COMMITTEE PRESIDENT

A Candidate for International Students Committee President must be an International Student.

POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS COMMITTEE PRESIDENT

A Candidate for Postgraduate Students Committee President must be a Postgraduate Student.

QUEER OFFICERS

- (a) Candidates for Queer Officer shall be two persons who nominate together one of which shall not identify as a man.
- (b) Candidates for Queer Officer must be Queer.

WOMEN'S OFFICER

A Candidate for Women's Officer must be a Woman.

INDIGENOUS OFFICER

A Candidate for Indigenous Officer must be Indigenous.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES OFFICER

A Candidate for Students with Disabilities Officer must be Disabled.

NOMINATIONS

A *Nomination by Candidate for Guild Council* form shall be signed by a witness who shall sight the nominee's Curtin student identification card; this witness must be a member of Guild Administrative staff, the Returning Officer or a Justice of the Peace. On satellite campuses, University staff members on that campus act as acceptable witnesses, in the absence of Guild Administrative staff, the Returning Officer or a Justice of the Peace. Guild Administrative staff may not sign nominations forms if they are enrolled Curtin students.

Guild Members nominating for the positions of Queer Officers must also submit the *Queer Officer Joint Nomination Form* together with their *Nomination by Candidate for Guild Council* form.

Electors shall be students enrolled in an award course at Curtin University as at close of rolls and not otherwise disqualified.

CLOSE OF ROLLS

Roll close for the Guild Members is 9.00 am Monday 7 August 2017, and

Roll close for Electors for the 2017 Annual Guild and NUS elections is Friday 25 August 2017 at 5.00 pm.

LODGEMENT OF NOMINATIONS

Nominations, completed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Guild, must be lodged in a **sealed envelope** with the Returning Officer in person, or by placing into the locked nomination box located in the Curtin Student Guild Office or posted to the Curtin Student Guild Office at Building 106F, Curtin University, Kent Street, BENTLEY, to be received by the Returning Officer not later than the close of nominations, **12.00 noon Thursday 31 August 2017**.

Prospective candidates wishing to nominate outside Curtin Student Guild business hours, **must** first contact the Returning Officer to arrange a suitable time to lodge a nomination or other prescribed form. **No nomination can be accepted later than 12.00 noon Thursday 31 August 2017**.

You may include a policy statement of up to 500 words on a portable digital storage device or emailed to the Returning Officer from the Candidates student email account.

You may also include a recent passport size head and shoulders photograph.

A hardcopy photograph must have the nominee's name, student number and signature on the rear of the photograph.

A digital photograph on a portable digital storage device labelled with the nominee's name, student number and signature or emailed to the Returning Officer from the Candidates student email account, will be accepted if in jpeg format and no larger than 1MB in file size.

A nomination deposit of \$10 per candidate is required, payable in cash and must accompany the nomination(s) form(s). A refund of the deposit will be made to all candidates elected.

No nomination deposit is payable for NUS nominations.

LODGEMENT OF GROUP REGISTRATION FORMS

Group Registration forms shall be lodged with the Returning Officer in person or by placing into the locked nomination box located in the Curtin Student Guild Office to be received not later than the close of Group Registration, **12.00 noon Thursday 31 August 2017**.

DRAW FOR BALLOT PAPER POSITIONS AND ALLOCATION OF COLOURS

The draw for ballot paper positions and allocation of colours will take place at **9.00am Friday 1 September 2017** in the Guild Offices.

POLLING

Polling will take place at the Bentley campus between **10.00 am and 4.00 pm** on **Monday 18 September 2017** and **Tuesday 19 September 2017**, **Wednesday 20 September 2017** between **10.00 am and 6.00 pm**, and **Thursday 21 September 2017** between **10.00 am and 4.00 pm**.

POSTAL VOTE APPLICATIONS

Postal vote applications may be made to the Curtin Student Guild Office on the form available from the office or published in *GROK: Election Edition*. *Application for Postal Vote* forms can also be downloaded from the Guild web page. A completed, signed and witnessed application form must be received by the Returning Officer **no later than 5.00 pm Friday 15 September 2017**.

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