



# The University of Sydney

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## Senate agenda, 3 November 2008

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### NOTICE OF MEETING

An ordinary meeting of the Senate of the University will be held at **5.30pm** on **Monday 3 November 2008** in the Senate Room. The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

**\*Please note the later commencement time as there will be an afternoon tea for new Professors from 4.30pm to 5.30pm.**

The Senate Room is in the Quadrangle on the Camperdown Campus, above the Ante Room.

Confidential items, for Fellows of Senate and Senior Officers only, are dealt with as the first items on the agenda. Members of the public are invited to be present for all other non-confidential items.

It is estimated that the confidential session will last for 2 hours.

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Mr T Robinson  
**Acting Registrar**

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**IN OPEN SESSION:**

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**Highlighted Items**

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- ★ **3. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal** **Appendix C**
- 3.1 Update for Senate's information** C1
- Recommendation*  
That Senate note the update.
- For discussion**
- 3.2 Vice-Chancellor's and Provost's Business**
- 3.2.1 Work Slate** C1, 17-26
- Recommendation*  
For Senate's comments.
- 3.2.2 Safety and Risk Management Committee** C2
- 3.2.3 Annual Report** C2
- 3.2.4 Academic Promotions** C2
- 3.2.5 Academic Board Reviews of Faculties** C2
- 3.2.6 United States Studies Centre** C2
- 3.2.7 Social Sciences Institute** C3
- Recommendation*  
That Senate note items 3.2.2 - 3.2.7 of the report.
- 3.3 Research**
- 3.3.1 ARC and NHMRC Funding Outcomes** C3, 27-31
- 3.3.2 Cutler Review of the National Innovation System** C3
- Recommendation*  
That Senate note items 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 of the report.
- 3.4 Education**
- 3.4.1 Formation of the new Education Portfolio** C4, 32-33
- 3.4.2 Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) First Preferences** C5
- 3.4.3 Indigenous Education** C5
- 3.4.4 Learning and Teaching Support Functions** C5
- 3.4.5 ALTC Competitive Grants and Awards** C5
- Recommendation*  
That Senate note items 3.4.1 to 3.4.5 of the report.
- 3.5 Finance, Infrastructure and ICT**
- 3.5.1 Financial Performance, 2009 Budget and Staff Consultations** C6
- Recommendation*  
That Senate note the report.
- 3.5.2 Sydney Talent** C6, 34-43
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the SydneyTalent concept moving from the pilot phase into full operation.

**3.5.3 Triple Bottom Line Reporting** C7, 44-72

**Recommendation**

*That Senate endorse the establishment of “an Emissions Reduction Working Group to support the implementation of the Emission Reduction Management Strategies, measure performance against emission reduction targets and monitor energy use, particularly, air-conditioning equipment, and compliance with the CIS Energy Savings Action Plan” [see strategies 1&2 on page 6 (C49) of the TBL report].*

**3.6 International**

<b>3.6.1 China Week 2008</b>	C8
<b>3.6.2 Beijing Delegation</b>	C8
<b>3.6.3 Peking University Day at Sydney</b>	C8
<b>3.6.4 Senior Visitors</b>	C8
<b>3.6.5 Summer School</b>	C8
<b>3.6.6 Centre for English Teaching</b>	C8
<b>3.6.7 Research Institute for Asia and the Pacific</b>	C8
<b>3.6.8 Australia Korea Young Leaders Exchange Program</b>	C9
<b>3.6.9 Capacity Building in Indonesian Higher Education</b>	C9
<b>3.6.10 Research Projects</b>	C9

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note items 3.6.1-3.6.10 of the report.*

**3.7 External Relations**

<b>3.7.1 Sydney Burns Foundation</b>	C9, 73-83
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**Recommendation**

*That Senate establish the Sydney Burns Foundation, as a division of The Medical Foundation in accordance with the Object set out in the Division Rules, to take effect on 4 November 2008.*

<b>3.7.2 Year to Date Fundraising Performance</b>	C10
<b>3.7.3 Community and Alumni Outreach Activities</b>	C10
<b>3.7.4 Marketing and Communications</b>	C11

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note items 3.7.2 - 3.7.4 of the report.*

**3.8 Human Resources**

<b>3.8.1 Enterprise Bargaining</b>	C13
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**Recommendation**

*That Senate note item 3.8.1 of the report.*

<b>3.8.2 Selection Committee for the Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor</b>	C14
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**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the Selection Committee for the position of Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor as follows:*

**Ex Officio**

Chancellor  
Deputy Chancellor  
Chair of the Academic Board  
Vice-Chancellor

**Two nominees of Senate**

Ms Irene Moss  
Professor Simon Chapman

**One Member of the Academic Board nominated by the Chair of the Academic Board**

Professor David Day

Professor Geoff Gallop (Reserve)

**One additional member at the request of the Vice-Chancellor**  
Professor Gillian Triggs

- 3.9 Faculty Business**
- 3.9.1 Appointment of Pro Deans, Associate Deans and Sub-Deans** C15, 84-88
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate approve the proposed revision of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the appointment of Pro-Deans, Associate Deans and Sub-Deans.*
- 3.9.2 Awards Ad Eundem Gradum** C15
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate*
- (1) *admit the following retired member of the Academic Staff to the degree of Master of Public Health ad eundem gradum:*
- *Professor Judith Godden, BA(Hons) UNE, PhD Macq, DipEd UNE*
- (2) *admit the following retired member of the Academic Staff to the degree of Bachelor of Arts ad eundem gradum:*
- *Professor Rif Ebied, BA(Hons) Ain Shams*

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### Standard items

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- 4. Senate business** **Appendix D**
- For action**
- 4.1 Apologies for absence** D1
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate accept apologies for absence from this meeting.*
- 4.2 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting held in open session, 15 September 2008** D1, 7-13
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate confirm the minutes of the Senate meeting held in open session on 15 September 2008 as a true and correct record.*
- 4.3 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**
- ★ **4.4 Fellows of Senate retiring on 30 November 2008** D1, 14
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate record its formal appreciation for and note in detail the contribution made by retiring Fellows of Senate Mr Angus McFarland and Ms Jenny Leong.*

- 4.5 Fellow of Senate elected by and from the undergraduate students of the University** D1, 15

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report and congratulate Ms Kate Laing on her election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the undergraduate students, to hold office from 1 December 2008 to 30 November 2009.*

- 4.6 Fellow of Senate elected by and from the postgraduate students of the University** D1, 16

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report and congratulate Mr Tom Kavanagh on his election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the postgraduate students, to hold office from 1 December 2008 to 30 November 2009.*

- ★ **4.7 Proposed By-law amendments for online Senate voting** D2, 17-21

**Recommendation**

*That Senate*

- (1) *approve the amendments to Chapter 1 and Chapter 4 of the University of Sydney By-law 1999 as set out in the report presented; and*
- (2) *authorise the Vice-Chancellor to write to the Minister for Education and Training requesting that the amendment to the University By-law be submitted to the Governor for approval consistently with the provisions of section 36(2) of the University of Sydney Act 1989.*

- 4.8 2009 Senate meeting schedule** D4

**Recommendation**

*That Senate meet at 5.00pm on the following dates in 2009:*

*2 February 2009  
16 March 2009  
4 May 2009  
15 June 2009  
3 August 2009  
21 September 2009  
2 November 2009  
7 December 2009*

- 4.9 University of Sydney (Student Appeals against Academic Decisions) Rule 2006** D4

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the amendment to section 22 of the University of Sydney (Student Appeals against Academic Decisions) Rule 2006 set out in the report presented.*

- 4.10 2009 Graduation schedule** D4, 22-23

**Recommendation**

*That Senate*

- (1) *note the schedule of dates for the 2009 graduation ceremonies approved by the Acting Registrar under delegated authority;*
- (2) *give authority to the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, the Chair of the Academic Board and the Pro-Chancellors to admit to the appropriate degree or degrees, and to award the appropriate diploma or diplomas at these ceremonies to, those who have qualified for degrees and diplomas concerned and whose names appear in the printed lists contained in the official programs; and*
- (3) *give authority to the Registrar to change the disciplines to be presented at any ceremony or the scheduled time of any ceremony, after appropriate consultation with the faculties, colleges and boards of studies concerned and after appropriate notice to the graduands concerned.*

**For noting**

- 4.11 Nominations Committee: Notice of election on 1 December 2008 D5  
4.11.1 Need for a meeting of the Nominations Committee  
4.11.2 Constitution of the Nominations Committee  
4.11.3 Notice of election **Pink nomination form  
for Fellows**

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report.*

- 4.12 Senate representation D6, 24

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report on Senate representation between 16 September and October 2008.*

- 4.13 Next meeting D6

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note that the next Senate meeting will be held at 5.00pm on 1 December 2008 in the Senate Room, Quadrangle.*

**5. Report of the Academic Board, 8 October 2008 Appendix E**  
(Chair: Professor Bruce Sutton)

**For action**

- 5.1 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate  
5.1.1 Governance of Faculties, Colleges, College Boards, Departments,  
Schools and Committees E1, 6

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Governance of Faculties, Colleges, College Boards, Departments, Schools and Committees, as set out on page E6 of the report presented.*

- 5.1.2 Faculty of Medicine: Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine E1, 7-8

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine, as set out on pages E7-8 of the report presented.*

- 5.1.3 Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery: Constitution of the Faculty of  
Nursing and Midwifery E1, 9

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, as set out on page E9 of the report presented.*

- 5.1.4 Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Constitution of the Sydney  
Conservatorium of Music E2, 10

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Constitution of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, as set out on page E10 of the report presented.*

- 5.1.5 Faculty of Veterinary Science: Constitution of the Faculty of Veterinary Science** E2, 11
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Veterinary Science, as set out on page E11 of the report presented.*
- 5.1.6 Faculty of Arts**
- 5.1.6.1 Bachelor of Arts** E2
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Bachelor of Arts, noting that there are no related amendments to Resolutions of Senate.*
- 5.1.6.2 Bachelor of International and Global Studies** E2
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Bachelor of International and Global Studies, noting that there are no related amendments to Resolutions of Senate.*
- 5.1.7 Faculty of Medicine: Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery** E3
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to amend the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, noting that there are no related amendments to Resolutions of Senate.*
- 5.1.8 Faculty of Science: Graduate Diploma in Psychology** E8
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Graduate Diploma in Psychology, noting that there are no related amendments to Resolutions of Senate.*
- 5.1.9 Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Master of Music Studies (Conducting), Master of Music Studies (Opera), Master of Music Studies (Performance), Graduate Diploma in Music (Accompaniment), Graduate Diploma in Music (Opera) and Graduate Diploma in Music (Performance)** E4, 12-16
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate:*
- (1) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Master of Music Studies (Conducting), Master of Music Studies (Opera), Master of Music Studies (Performance), Graduate Diploma in Music (Accompaniment), Graduate Diploma in Music (Opera) and Graduate Diploma in Music (Performance); and*
  - (2) *approve the rescission of the existing Resolutions of Senate and the introduction of new Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out on pages E12-16 of the report presented.*

**For noting**

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| 5.2 | Minor course amendments | E4 |
| 5.3 | Other matters           | E4 |

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note items 5.2 and 5.3 of the report.*

**6. Revised report of Finance & Infrastructure Committee, 27 August 2008**

*(Chair: Mr Alec Brennan)*

**Appendix F**

**For noting**

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| 6.1   | Business Arising   | F1      |
| 6.2   | Vice-Chancellors Report  | F1      |
| 6.3   | Financial Report   | F1, 3-4 |
| 6.3.1 | Financial Management Reports – July Results  |         |
| 6.3.2 | 2008 Half Year Financial Report – Total University and Faculty Financial Performance |         |
| 6.3.3 | Fundraising Report   |         |
| 6.4   | Human Resources Capability Report  | F2      |
| 6.4.1 | Annual Leave Provisions Update   |         |
| 6.5   | Tender Board   | F2      |
| 6.5.1 | Tender Board Membership  |         |
| 6.5.2 | Annual Report of the Tender Board  |         |
| 6.6   | Information Communication Technology Progress Report                                 | F2      |
| 6.6.1 | Future Student Administration System   |         |
| 6.7   | Next Meeting   | F2      |

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the revised report.*

**7. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 21 October 2008**

*(Chair: Mr John McCarthy)*

**Appendix G**

**For noting**

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| 7.1 | Review of the Committee     | G1 |
| 7.2 | SU Sport and Fitness report | G1 |
| 7.3 | Next meeting                | G2 |

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report.*

**8. Report of the Senate/Student Associations Liaison Committee, 14 October 2008**

*(Chair: Chancellor)*

**Appendix H**

**For noting**

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| 8.1 | Focus topic provided by the student organisations: How does the University allocate funds for capital project development as opposed to non-infrastructure teaching and learning? What types of factors are considered and how are such decisions made? | H1 |
| 8.2 | Student Misconduct  | H1 |
| 8.3 | Review of the Terms of Reference of the Senate/Student Associations Liaison Committee   | H1 |
| 8.4 | Harassment and Discrimination   | H2 |
| 8.5 | Student Feedback in Units of Study  | H2 |
| 8.6 | Professional Masters Courses & Social Security Assistance   | H2 |
| 8.7 | Student Feedback in Coursework  | H2 |
| 8.8 | Student Representation  | H2 |

8.9	Women Student Participation and Experience	H2
8.10	Exclusion appeals	H3
8.11	Student fees	H3
8.12	Assessment and Examination of Coursework policy	H3
8.13	2009 Meeting Schedule	H3
8.14	Any other business	H3

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report.*

**9. General business** **Appendix I**

**For action**

9.1	Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee	I1
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**Recommendation**

*That, subject to their agreement, Senate appoint those listed in the report presented to membership of the Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee for a new two year term of office to 30 September 2010.*

**For noting**

9.2	Notice of appointments by Senate on 1 December 2008	I1
	• International House Council	
	• The University of Sydney Union Board of Directors	
	• Sydney University Sport General Committee / Management Committee	
	• Women's College Council	

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report.*

9.3	Graduation ceremonies (November/December 2008)	I2, 3
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**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report.*

**★ 10. Question time** **Appendix J**  
(Estimated time allocation: 15 minutes)

10.1	Questions from Ms J Leong	J1
10.2	Questions from Mr A McFarland	J3

**★ 11. Any other business**