

## Introduction

The UNSW Rules (the Rules) give the authority to the Returning Officer to make guidelines in relation to the campaigning conduct of candidates during elections.

The University welcomes active participation in elections and the free exchange of opinions and ideas and wishes to ensure a level playing field for all candidates.

Code of Conduct and applicable UNSW policies/guidelines

Candidates are expected to comply with the University's Codes of Conduct and any applicable University policies and/or guidelines.

In addition, candidates are expected to conduct their candidacy in a respectful, ethical and collegial manner and with the overarching responsibility to act in the best interests of the University.

Statement of reasons for candidature

The Rules allow candidates to submit to the Elections Office a 150-word statement of reasons for their candidature (in the form prescribed by the Rules) and a photograph for distribution to voters. The elections office will edit out content of statements beyond the first 150 words.