Student/Council Liaison Group Charter

Introduction

The Charter outlines the roles, responsibilities and composition of the Student/Council Liaison Group of the Council (Board) of the University of Technology Sydney and the manner in which it discharges its responsibilities for UTS.

Purpose

The Student/Council Liaison Group is a forum for UTS students, members of Council and UTS senior management to discuss matters of UTS policy and governance relevant to the student body. It gives effect to the UTS governance principle that the University engage the relevant interests of its stakeholders.

Responsibilities

The group will:

- a. initiate student forums, with the advice of the group, on particular topics where the wider, direct input of the student body may be of particular value
- b. receive referrals from Council, Council sub-committees, the senior executive and representative student bodies on matters relevant to the student body and provide advice
- c. have oversight of the UTS Student Partnership Agreement.

Meetings

The group will meet at least twice per annum.

Performance

The group will review its performance annually against the Charter.

Composition

The composition of the Student/Council Liaison Group is as follows:

Position

Two members of Council:

- one external member to be the Chair
- · one member to be the Deputy Chair

Two student members of Council

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education and Students) or nominee

Director, Student Services

An associate dean (either teaching and learning or research, or equivalent) nominated by the associate deans

President, Students' Association or nominee

International Students Officer of the Students' Association

President, ActivateUTS or nominee

Student representative of ActivateUTS clubs

A UTS Housing student representative nominated by the Residential Life and Learning Supervisor and Housing Services and the Manager, Housing Service

Elected Indigenous student member of Academic Board

Elected student members of Academic Board, one from each faculty

Elected postgraduate research student member of Academic Board

Co-opted members

The Group has the authority to co-opt members as appropriate, including additional members to represent international students, postgraduate coursework students and postgraduate research students, and to invite other participants for particular matters.

Quorum

A quorum for the purposes of transacting business at a meeting shall consist of:

- the Chair or Deputy Chair (at least one)
- UTS staff member (at least one), and
- three students (including student members of Council, elected members of Academic Board and ex-officio students).