

Senate: Nominations for Elected Member Position

Interested in understanding how the University works? Would you like to contribute to University decision-making? Can you offer perspectives and expertise on academic and student related issues?

The Senate is the academic authority of the University and has primary responsibility for its academic work, both in teaching and in research, and for the regulation and superintendence of the education and discipline of the students at the University.

Senate is currently seeking a member of staff from the Professional Services Staff community (any staff who are not engaged in teaching or research but including technicians), to serve as an elected member. The appointment would be for three years to 31 July 2027.

Staff interested in serving in this position are encouraged to discuss their nomination with their Director of Service or Faculty Manager (or equivalent) to understand the role and commitment required. To stand for this position you will require a nomination from an existing member of the Senate.

Details regarding the current Senate membership and its primary responsibilities can be found on the governance pages of the University's website. Senate meets ordinarily four times a year in person.

<https://www.lancaster.ac.uk/strategic-planning-and-governance/governance/senate/>

In line with the Chairs of Universities and Colleges (CUC) Higher Education Code of Governance, Senate is committed to ensuring that its composition 'includes a diversity of voice, attitude and experience' and welcomes interest in participation. Nominations from staff in all diversity groups are encouraged and welcomed as Senate seeks to continue to diversify its membership.

If you are interested, please complete the nomination form which includes a 150-word biography/statement on why you would want to stand to Claire Geddes who can also provide further information. The deadline for nominations is 17:00 on Wednesday 15 May 2024.

If there are multiple candidates, eligible staff will be invited to vote in an electronic election for the position from 20 May to 31 May 2024.

The successful candidate's first meeting of Senate would be 25 September 2024 with an induction provided beforehand. There may be an opportunity to observe Senate's meeting on 12 June 2024.