



THE UNIVERSITY  
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# COUNCIL NEWS

## University of Adelaide Council meeting held on Monday 18 October 2021

### Report from the Chancellor

The Chancellor reported on recent events attended, and provided an update on the Female Scholar Statue project.

### Report from the Vice-Chancellor and President

The Vice-Chancellor reported on a range of matters, including:

- the proposed pilot program for the return of international students;
- University and employability rankings;
- the Australian Institute of Machine Learning's memorandum of understanding with Microsoft;
- enrolments;
- graduations and other events held;
- recent appointments, and recipients of research awards and research grants;
- organisational sustainability; and
- the staff and student survey on vaccination.

### Reports from Council Standing Committees

Council received reports from the following committees

- Academic Board;
- Finance; and
- Special Degrees.

Key items considered by the Academic Board included the approval of the Latin America Strategy, the Strategy for Assessment and Feedback, and amendments to the Assessment for Coursework Programs Policy and the Coursework Academic Programs Policy.

The Finance Committee's key items included the 2021 July Forecast and 2022 Budget Development, the Australian Bragg Centre lease, and appointments to Innovation and Commercial Pty Ltd.

Council approved the recommendation of Special Degrees Committee for the award of the degree of Doctor of the University to four individuals.

### Other reports and presentations

Council received:

- update reports on the Safer Campus Community initiatives, the legislative changes to the Integrity Agencies in South Australia, and the final Freedom

of Speech and Academic Freedom Policy; and

- presentations on Future Making – Pillar Plans and Organisational Sustainability feedback.

### Other Items

Council:

- approved the appointment of Prof Ben Kile as a trustee of the Gwen Mitchell Foundation for a two-year term; and
- adopted the Australian Universities Vice-Chancellor and Senior Staff Remuneration Code and broadly adopted the University Chancellors Council's Freedom of Speech and Academic Freedom Attestation Statement template.