

POSITION DESCRIPTION

University of Papua New Guinea

AM8010 - University Council Members x11

The **University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG)** is the oldest university in the country, established in 1965. Its vision is to be the premier university committed to excellence and providing quality tertiary education, research, and service.

Are you passionate about Higher Education in Papua New Guinea, and willing to contribute to shape the future of the University of Papua New Guinea to be the premier university in Papua New Guinea and the Pacific, and meeting international university standards?

Here's an exciting opportunity to step up and make a difference!

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEMBERS x11

The Role

The **University Council** is the governing body of the University that drives the development and implementation of the university's strategic vision and goals and provides general oversight of the institution and its affairs.

Join the **University Council** and be part of the driving force behind transformation, innovation and growth of the university, translating to modern governance, management and operational systems, academic excellence and output of a future ready talent pool for nation building and advancement towards an innovative and empowered society.

Key Responsibilities

UPNG seeks individuals from a diverse background, with the expertise to contribute to effective university governance, accountability and delivery of well-developed academic programs. Areas of expertise sought include leadership, management, financial, legal, commercial and exposure to corporate and tertiary education services.

Council members will bring to the deliberations of the Governing Council, a wide range of knowledge, expertise and experience and are expected to apply balanced and sound judgement to these deliberations. Paramount are independence and integrity!

The significant Council Member contributions include:

- Attending and contributing to Council meetings, committee meetings (as relevant), strategic sessions and the annual Council conference
- Driving institution wide transformational systems and processes reviews in line with international best practice standards
- Critical review of university's strategic plans, major policies, investments, project development proposals, budgets, decisions and systems to ensure the university's long-term success
- Overseeing University's management (finances, human resources, student welfare, assets, investments and reporting), performance and accountability to stakeholders
- Collaborating with diverse stakeholders (staff, students, external partners) to promote initiatives and programs for good governance and performance excellence of the institution
- Providing advice and guidance to ensure compliance to relevant legislations, processes and required performance standards
- Providing sound advice and independent external viewpoint on academic and governance matters relating to the university
- Offering expertise and insights based on professional background and industry experience to contribute to innovation, transformation and growth of the institution and impact on the wider education services landscape

- Using industry knowledge and expertise to establish and maintain professional networks and useful contacts for the university
- Reviewing and providing guidance on promoting a positive brand (image) of the University
- Leading by example to be committed and to dedicate as much time as necessary to perform Council duties with integrity and professionalism
- Ensuring prudent financial management standards are adhered to
- Speaking up and taking decisive actions against unethical behavior and actions.

Expected Competencies:

We seek dynamic leaders who:

- Are committed to improving the standards of higher education within PNG
- Understand the challenges and opportunities faced by universities in a rapidly evolving landscape impacted by technology
- Are committed to making a difference by contributing their time and expertise
- Have a general understanding of universities and an appreciation of the broad social and economic trends as they affect universities
- Are willing to display strong and ethical leadership by challenging and questioning decisions without being adversarial
- Promote integrity and professionalism
- Possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills, enabling constructive dialogue and collaboration
- Are forward thinking and willing to challenge the status quo when there is a need to.

These vacancies are open to PNG citizens and non-citizens.

Women are also encouraged to apply.

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An updated CV, including details of three (3) referees with current contact details.

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Applications close 5pm Friday 11th August 2023

Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

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