

**CHARLES DARWIN UNIVERSITY (ACADEMIC BOARD)  
BY-LAWS**

**By-laws under the *Charles Darwin University Act***

**1. Citation**

These by-laws may be cited as the Charles Darwin University (Academic Board) By-laws.

**2. Interpretation**

- (1) In these by-laws –
  - (a) "Act" means the Charles Darwin University Act;
  - (b) "Board" means the Academic Board of the University established under section 20 of the Act;
  - (c) "Chair" means the person appointed as chair of the Board from time to time under by-law 4;
  - (d) "Council" means the Council of Charles Darwin University as constituted under the Act
  - (e) "Deputy Chair" means the person appointed as deputy chair of the Board from time to time under by-law 4;
  - (f) "Higher education academic staff" means full time higher education staff at Lecturer Level A, B, C, D or E;
  - (g) "University" means Charles Darwin University;
  - (h) "VET academic staff" means full time VET academic staff at Category I, II, III, or IV and NT Managers;
- (2) A reference in these by-laws to ex-officio members or the Chair of the Board means the person holding that office and includes a reference to a person carrying out the duties of that office in an acting capacity.

**3. Membership of the Board**

- (1) The Board consists of:
  - (a) Ex-officio members of University staff as approved by the Council;
  - (b) Elected members of the full time higher education and vocational education and training academic staff in the categories and number as approved by Council;
  - (c) Elected members of the student body in the categories and number as approved by Council;
  - (d) Co-opted members of University staff in the categories and number as approved by Council;

- (2) Elected members of the student body must not be members of the full-time or part-time staff of the University.

#### **4. Chair and Deputy Chair**

- (1) The Chair of the Board must be elected by and from the full-time higher education and VET academic staff of the University:
  - (a) The Chair holds office for a period of three years commencing on 1 January in the year following their appointment, and is eligible to be appointed as Chair for a further term of two years, but must not hold office for more than two consecutive terms.
- (2) The Deputy Chair must be elected by and from the full-time higher education and VET academic staff of the University:
  - (a) Where the Chair elected under this by-law 4 is a member of the higher education academic staff, the Deputy Chair must be elected from the VET academic staff; and where the Chair appointed under this by-law 4 is a member of the VET academic staff, the Deputy Chair must be elected from the higher education academic staff.
  - (b) The Deputy Chair holds office for a period of three years commencing on 1 January in the year following their appointment, and is eligible to be appointed as Deputy Chair for a further term of two years, but must not hold office for more than two consecutive terms.
- (3) The Vice-Chancellor must call for nominations from interested persons and conduct an election in a manner the Board deems fit;

#### **5. Standing Committees and Working Parties**

The Board may establish standing committees and working parties as it thinks fit, and a person may be appointed as a member of that standing committee or working party whether or not that person is a member of the Board.

#### **6. Repeal**

The by-laws in force immediately prior to the date of commencement of these by-laws and known as the *Charles Darwin University (Academic Board) By-laws* are repealed on and from the date of commencement of these by-laws.

The Common Seal of the Charles Darwin  
University is affixed in the presence of:

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Signature of Chancellor

Signature of Vice-Chancellor

Hon Sally Thomas AM

Professor Barney Glover

Chancellor

Vice-Chancellor