

# RMIT Group Senior Officers

Effective 17 April 2023

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*Senior Officers may be appointed by position (P) or the individual staff member (I).  
Where there is a personnel change for Position appointed as Senior Officer, the new staff member can assume the authority of Senior Officer without the need for a new appointment.*

## RMIT University

### OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Vice-Chancellor and President	Professor Alec Cameron	<i>P</i>
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### EDUCATION PORTFOLIO

Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Education and Vice-President	Professor Sherman Young	<i>P</i>
Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Education (Learning, Teaching and Quality)	Professor Shona Leitch	<i>P</i>
University Librarian and Director, Student Success	David Howard	<i>P</i>
Executive Director, Students	Dene Cicci	<i>P</i>

### Academic Registrar's Group

Academic Registrar	Connie Merlino	<i>P</i>
Deputy Academic Registrar	Anthony Falzon	<i>P</i>
Associate Director, Integrity and Assessment Support	Kathryn Wardill	<i>P</i>
Manager, Assessment Support, Academic Policy and Student Conduct	Christine Harris	<i>P</i>
Manager, Assessment Adjustments and University Appeals	Brooke Harwood	<i>P</i>

### ACADEMIC BOARD

Chair, Academic Board	Dr Sharon Andrews	<i>P</i>
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### INTERNATIONAL AND ENGAGEMENT PORTFOLIO

Deputy Vice-Chancellor, International and Engagement and Vice-President	Saskia Loer Hansen	<i>P</i>
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### OPERATIONS PORTFOLIO

Chief Operating Officer	Teresa Finlayson	<i>P</i>
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### Finance and Governance

Chief Financial Officer	Clare Lezaja	<i>P</i>
Assistant Director Quality & Regulation	Kate Fitzgibbon	<i>P</i>

### Governance, Legal and Strategic Operations

Executive Director, Governance, Legal & Strategic Operations	Briony Lewis	<i>I</i>
Associate Director, Central Complaints & Investigations	Maria Biviano	<i>P</i>

### Information Technology Services

Chief Information Officer	Sinan Erbay	<i>P</i>
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### People

Chief People Officer - Human Resources	Bridgid Connors	<i>P</i>
Director - Health, Safety and Wellbeing	Emma Blee	<i>P</i>
Senior Manager, Safer Community	Dawn Tunnicliffe	<i>I</i>

### Property Services

Executive Director Property Services and Campus Operations	Chris Hewison	<i>P</i>
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### POLICY, STRATEGY AND IMPACT PORTFOLIO

Executive Director, Policy, Strategy and Impact	Tom Bentley	<i>P</i>
Pro Vice Chancellor Indigenous Education, Research and Engagement	Professor Gary Thomas	<i>P</i>
Senior Manager, Indigenous Education	Nicole Shanahan	<i>P</i>

## RMIT Classification: Trusted

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND LAW**

Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Business & Law and Vice-President	Professor Julie Cogin	P
Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Learning, Teaching and Quality	Professor Kathy Douglas	P
Academic Director, Singapore	Professor Mark King	P

**School of Accounting, Information Systems and Supply Chain**

Dean	Professor David Smith	P
Deputy Dean, Learning and Teaching	Associate Professor Gillian Vesty	P
Deputy Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Babak Abbasi	P
Head of Department, Accounting	Professor Robyn Moroney	P
Head of Department, Financial Planning	Associate Professor Abdullahi Dahir Ahmed	P
Head of Department, Information Systems & Business Analytics	Professor Kok-Leong Ong	P
Head of Department, Supply Chain	Professor Paul Childerhouse	P

**School of Economics, Finance and Marketing**

Dean	Professor Heath McDonald	P
Deputy Dean, Learning and Teaching	Professor Con Stavros	P
Deputy Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Jonathan Batten (Acting)	P
Program Manager, Blockchain Enabled Business	Associate Professor Ashton De Silva	P
Associate Dean, Finance	Associate Professor Angel Zhong (Act)	P
Head of Discipline, Marketing	Dr Linda Robinson	P
Head of Discipline, Economics	Dr Sveta Angelopoulos	P
Deputy Head of Discipline, Marketing	Professor Francis Farrelly	P
Deputy Head of Discipline, Economics	Dr Martin Byford	P

**School of Graduate School of Business and Law**

Dean	Professor Simon Pervan (Interim)	P
Deputy Dean, Learning and Teaching	Associate Professor Ling Mei Cong	P
Deputy Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Mark Leenders	P
Head of Department, Law	Professor Lola Akin Ojelabi	P
Head of Department, MBA	Professor Joe Jiang	P

**School of Management**

Dean	Professor Alison Parkes	P
Deputy Dean, Learning and Teaching	Professor Yuli Suseno	P
Deputy Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Andrew Timming	P
Head of Dept, HRM and IR	Professor Tim Bartram	P
Head of Dept, Management, International Business & Entr	Professor Fuming Jiang	P

**COLLEGE OF DESIGN AND SOCIAL CONTEXT**

Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Design & Social Context and Vice-President	Professor Tim Marshall	P
Associate DVC, Learning and Teaching	Professor Robyn Healy	P
Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research and Innovation	Professor Ralph Horne	P

**School of Architecture and Urban Design**

Dean	Professor Martyn Hook	P
Associate Dean, Architecture	Professor Vivian Mitsogianni	P
Associate Dean, Interior Design	Dr Roger Kemp	P

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Associate Dean, Landscape Architecture	Dr Katrina Simon	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	To be advised	P
<b>School of Art</b>		
Dean	Professor Kit Wise	P
Associate Dean, Art	Associate Professor Kristen Sharp	P
Associate Dean, Photography	Dr Alison Bennett	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Daniel Palmer	P
<b>School of Design</b>		
Dean	To be advised	P
Associate Dean, Digital Design	Professor Deb Polson	P
Associate Dean, Communication Design	Associate Professor Brad Haylock	P
Associate Dean, Industrial Design	Dr Liam Fennessy	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Sarah Teasley	P
<b>School of Education</b>		
Dean	Professor Simone White	P
Associate Dean, Education	Professor Angela Fitzgerald	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Daniel Harris	P
<b>School of Fashion and Textiles</b>		
Dean	Dr Alice Payne	P
Associate Dean, Fashion and Textile Design	Dr Ricarda Bigolin	P
Associate Dean, Fashion and Textile Technology	Dr Jenny Underwood	P
Associate Dean, Fashion Enterprise	Dr Stephen Wigley	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	Dr Scott Mayson	P
Associate Dean, Industry Engagement	To be advised	P
<b>School of Global Urban and Social Studies</b>		
Dean	Professor Ron Wakefield (Interim)	P
Associate Dean, Criminology and Justice Studies	Associate Professor Michele Ruyters	P
Associate Dean, Global and Language Studies	Professor Christopher Ziguras	P
Associate Dean, Social Work and Human Services	Associate Professor Robyn Martin	P
Associate Dean, Sustainability and Urban Planning	Associate Professor Andrew Butt	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Katherine Johnson	P
<b>School of Media and Communication</b>		
Dean	Professor Lisa French	P
Associate Dean, Communication	Professor Lisa Waller	P
Associate Dean, Media, Writing and Publishing	Professor Mark Gibson	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Robert Crawford	P
<b>School of Property Construction and Project Management</b>		
Dean	Professor Ron Wakefield	P
Associate Dean, Construction Management	Associate Professor Peter Wong	P
Associate Dean, Property and Valuation	Dr Judith Callanan	P
Associate Dean, Project Management	Professor Tayyab Maqsood	P
Associate Dean, Research and Innovation	Professor Chris Eves	P
<b>STEM COLLEGE</b>		
Deputy Vice-Chancellor, STEM College and Vice-President	Professor Ian Burnett	P

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Associate DVC, Learning and Teaching	Professor Ange Carbone	<i>P</i>
Dean, Learning and Teaching, Engineering & Technology	Professor Margaret Jollands	<i>P</i>
Dean, Learning and Teaching, Science & Health	Associate Professor Sonja Cleary	<i>P</i>
Dean, STEM Diversity and Inclusion	Professor Kay Latham	<i>P</i>
Senior Manager, Flight & Aviation, Aviation Academy	Michael Heffey	<i>P</i>
Director, Aviation Academy	Lea Vesic	<i>P</i>
Manager, Learning and Teaching, Aviation Academy	Varinder Sohi	<i>I</i>
Head of Operations	Julia Lang	<i>P</i>
<b>School of Computing Technologies</b>		
Dean	Professor Karin Verspoor	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Artificial Intelligence	Professor Fabio Zambetta	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Cloud, Systems & Security	Professor Iqbal Gondal	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Data Science	Professor Lawrence Cavedon	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Student Experience	Dr Santha Sumanasekara	<i>P</i>
Associate Professor	Associate Professor Vic Ciesielski	<i>I</i>
<b>School of Engineering</b>		
Dean	Professor Ray Kirby	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Aerospace Engineering and Aviation	Professor Jennifer Palmer	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Chemical & Environmental Engineering	Professor Namita Roy Choudhury	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Civil and Infrastructure Engineering	Professor Kevin Zhang	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Electrical and Biomedical Engineering	Professor Elena Pirogova	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Electronic and Telecommunications	Professor Kandeepan Sithamparanathan	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Manufacturing, Materials & Mechatronics Eng	Professor Stuart Bateman	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Mechanical and Automotive Engineering	Professor Reza Hoseinnezhad	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Student Experience	Associate Professor Sara Moridpour	<i>P</i>
Assistant Associate Dean, Aerospace & Aviation	Associate Professor Nic Connelly	<i>P</i>
Assistant Associate Dean, Chemical & Environmental	Professor Kalpit Shah	<i>P</i>
Assistant Associate Dean, Civil & Infrastructure	Professor Jie Li	<i>P</i>
Assistant Associate Dean, Electronic & Telecommunications Eng	Professor Kandeepan Sithamparanathan	<i>P</i>
Assistant Associate Dean, Manufacturing, Materials & Mech Eng	Professor Olga Troynikov	<i>P</i>
Assistant Associate Dean, Mechanical & Automotive	Associate Professor Stefania Castelletto	<i>P</i>
Assistant Associate Dean, Electrical & Biomedical Eng	Professor Brendan McGrath	<i>P</i>
Senior staff member, Civil Engineering	Dr Dilan Robert	<i>I</i>
Senior staff member, Electrical and Biomedical Engineering	Dr Richardt Wilkinson	<i>I</i>
Senior staff member, Mechanical and Automotive Engineering	Associate Professor Abhijit Date	<i>I</i>
Senior staff member, Manufacturing, Materials & Mechatronics Eng	To be advised	<i>I</i>
<b>School of Health and Biomedical Sciences</b>		
Dean	Professor Catherine Itsiopoulos	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Student Experience	Dr Elizabeth Verghese	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Allied Health (Osteo, Chiro & Chinese Medicine)	Professor Tony Zhang	<i>P</i>
Associate Dean, Applied Health	Professor Barbora deCourten	<i>P</i>

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Assistant Associate Dean, Nursing	Associate Professor Karen Livesay	P
Assistant Associate Dean, Human Biosciences	Associate Professor Trisha Jenkins	P
Associate Dean, Biomedical Science (Laboratory Medicine)	Professor Ross Vlahos	P
Associate Dean, Work Integrated Learning	Associate Professor Sophia Xenos	P
Associate Professor, Biotechnology and Biological Sciences	Associate Professor Terry Piva	I
Professor, Pharmacy	Professor Ieva Stupans	I
Senior lecturer, Laboratory Medicine	Dr Dodi Pouniotis	I
Professor, Laboratory Medicine	Professor Denise Jackson	I
Assistant Associate Dean, Allied Health	Associate Professor Amanda Kimpton	I
Senior Lecturer, Nursing	Dr Ruby Walters	I
Assistant Associate Dean, Psychology	Associate Professor Leila Karimi	I
Senior lecturer, Applied Health - Psychology	Dr Robin Laycock	I
Senior lecturer, Applied Health - Psychology	Dr Mark Lee	I
<b>School of Science</b>		
Dean	Professor Charles Brennan	P
Associate Dean, Student Experience	Professor Mark Osborn	P
Associate Dean (Chemistry and Environmental Science)	Professor Kim Dowling	P
Associate Dean (Biosciences & Food Technology)	Professor Rajaraman Eri	P
Associate Dean (Geospatial Science)	Professor Monica Wachowicz	P
Associate Dean (Mathematical Sciences)	To be advised	P
Associate Dean (Physics)	Professor Gary Bryant	P
Assistant Associate Dean (App Chemistry & Environmental Science)	Professor Ewan Blanch	P
Assistant Associate Dean (Biosciences & Food Technology)	Associate Professor Peter Torley	P
Assistant Associate Dean (Mathematical Sciences)	Professor Andrew Eberhard	P
Assistant Associate Dean (Physics)	Professor Brant Gibson	P
Senior lecturer (Maths)	Dr James Baglin	I
Associate Professor (Maths)	Associate Professor Stelios Georgio	I
Senior Lecturer (Maths)	Dr Stella Stylianou	I
Senior lecturer (Maths)	Dr Haydar Demirhan	I
Lecturer (Maths)	Alice Johnstone	I
Professor (Mathematical Sciences)	Professor Asha Rao	I
Associate Professor (Environmental Science)	Associate Professor James Chapman	I
Associate Professor (Biological sciences)	Associate Professor Danilla Grando	I
Associate Professor (Biological sciences)	Professor Jeff Shimeta	I
Associate Professor (Biological sciences)	Professor Nitin Mantri	I
Professor (Geospatial)	Professor Suelynn Choy	I
<b>Research and Innovation</b>		
Associate DVC, Research and Innovation	Professor Sujeeva Setunge	P
Dean, Research & Innovation (India)	Professor Suresh Bhargava	P
Dean, Research and Innovation, Engineering & Technology	Professor Mark Sanderson	P
Dean, Research and Innovation, Science and Health	Professor Paul Gorry	P

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Associate Dean, Higher Degrees by Research, Engineering	Professor Kate Fox	P
Associate Dean, Higher Degrees by Research, Health	Associate Professor Jonathan McQualter	P
Associate Dean, Higher Degrees by Research, Science	Associate Professor Samantha Richardson	P
Associate Dean, Higher Degrees by Research, Technology	Professor Jenny Zhang	P
<b>COLLEGE OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION</b>		
Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Vocational Education and Vice-President	Mish Eastman	P
Director, Planning & Resources	Kylie Dillon	P
Associate DVC, Learning & Teaching	Paula McKenry	P
Associate DVC, Programs & Delivery	Amanda Achterberg	P
<b>Business &amp; Enterprise Cluster</b>		
Director	Elissa McKenzie	P
Program Manager (Accounting/Finance)	Doug Gourlay	P
Program Manager (Project Management/Marketing/Comms/PR)	Nick Reynolds	P
Program Manager (Business/Commerce)	To be advised	P
Program Manager (Global Business & Leadership)	Steven Hansen	P
Program Manager (Legal Services)	Theresa Lyford	P
<b>Creative Industries Cluster</b>		
Director	Liam Freeman	P
Program Manager (Fashion/Textiles)	Katrina Rose	P
Program Manager (Graphic/Product/Furniture Design)	Annette Cook	P
Program Manager (Interior Design & VM)	Nancy Everingham	P
Program Manager (Screen/Media & Deg Media Tech)	Jesse Roberts	P
Program Manager (Photography & Visual Arts)	Joel Rainford	P
Program Manager (Professional Writing & Screen Writing)	John Reeves	P
Program Manager (Sound & Live Production)	Rebekha Naim	P
<b>Future Technologies Cluster</b>		
Director	Dr Nick Patterson	P
Program Manager (Engineering, Elect & Telecoms)	To be advised	P
Program Manager (ICT)	Kanchan Aggarwal	P
Program Manager (Mech/Aero/Civil)	Dr Amita Iyer	P
Program Lead (Industry 40)	Rahul Gupta	P
<b>Built Environment &amp; Sustainability Cluster</b>		
Director	Melissa Tinetti	P
Program Manager (Building/Surveying/Land Mgmt)	Matthew Sweeney	P
Program Manager (Building Design)	Michael Goss	P
Program Manager (Plumbing & Carpentry)	Sebastian La Rocca	P
Program Manager (Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration)	David King	P
Program Manager (Electrical & Instrumentation)	Andrew Santuccioni	P
<b>Social Care &amp; Health Cluster</b>		
Director	Rachel Wassink	P
Program Manager (Aged Care & Disability)	Gwen Cawsey	P
Program Manager (Nursing)	Rosemarie Russell	P



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Program Manager (Applied Science)	Tracey Salter	P
Program Manager (Allied Health & Dental)	Laura Yeomans	P
Program Manager (Community Support & Youth Work)	To be advised	P
Program Manager (Education Support & Language Services)	Melanie Reynolds	P

**RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PORTFOLIO**

Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research & Innovation and Vice-President	Professor Calum Drummond	P
Dean, School of Graduate Research	Professor Denise Cuthbert	P

**RMIT University Vietnam**

Pro Vice-Chancellor	Professor Claire Macken	P
Associate Registrar, Office of Academic Registrar, Vietnam	Tang Thanh Tuan	P

**Office of the Executive Dean**

Executive Dean (Academic & Students)	To be advised	P
Dean of Students	Dr Seng Kok	P
Executive Director, Operations	Paul Oppenheimer (Interim)	P
Director, Academic and Student Services	Glen O'Grady	P
Senior Manager, Wellbeing	Ela Partoredjo	P
Director, Student Experience and Success	Alison Wofford	I

**School of Business & Management**

Dean of School	Professor Robert McClelland	P
Deputy Dean of School	Dr Nguyen Vu Hong Thai (Interim)	P
Head of Department, Economics & Finance	Associate Professor Pham Thi Thu Tra (Interim)	P
Head of Department, Management	Associate Professor Nguyen Quang Trung	P
Head of Department, Business & Innovation	Associate Professor Hiep Pham (Interim)	P

**School of Communication & Design**

Dean of School	Professor Julia Gaimster	P
Deputy Dean	Associate Professor Donna Cleveland	P
Senior Program Manager, Professional Communication	Dr Farida Kbar	P
Senior Program Manager, Design Studies	Dr Manny Ling	P
Program Manager, Languages	Quynh Le Xuan	P

**School of English & University Pathways**

Director	Urica Lopez	P
Head of Department, English For University	Julie Bird	P
Senior Academic English Manager - Hanoi Campus	Andrew Hall	P
Senior Academic English Manager - Danang Campus	Stuart Turner	P
Program Manager - Foundation Studies	Jennifer Howard	P

**School of Science, Engineering & Technology**

Dean of School	Professor Brett Kirk	P
Senior Program Manager (IT & SE)	Tran Ngoc Quang	P
Senior Program Manager (E&E, R&M)	Nguyen Le Huy	P



## RMIT Classification: Trusted

## RMIT Europe

Executive Director	Dr Marta Fernandez	<i>P</i>
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## RMIT Online

Chief Executive Officer	Nic Cola	<i>P</i>
Academic Director	Associate Professor Dawn Gilmore	<i>P</i>

## RMIT Training

Chief Executive Officer	Jake Heinrich	<i>P</i>
Executive Director, Academic	Maxine Sahhar	<i>I</i>
Associate Director – Quality Assurance and Standards	Margaret Dawson	<i>I</i>
Deputy Director, Foundation Studies	Serafina Giannone	<i>I</i>
Deputy Director – REW Melbourne	Nick Philippou	<i>I</i>