



2026 Arc College BOARD ELECTIONS INFO SESSION & CAMPAIGNING BRIEFING



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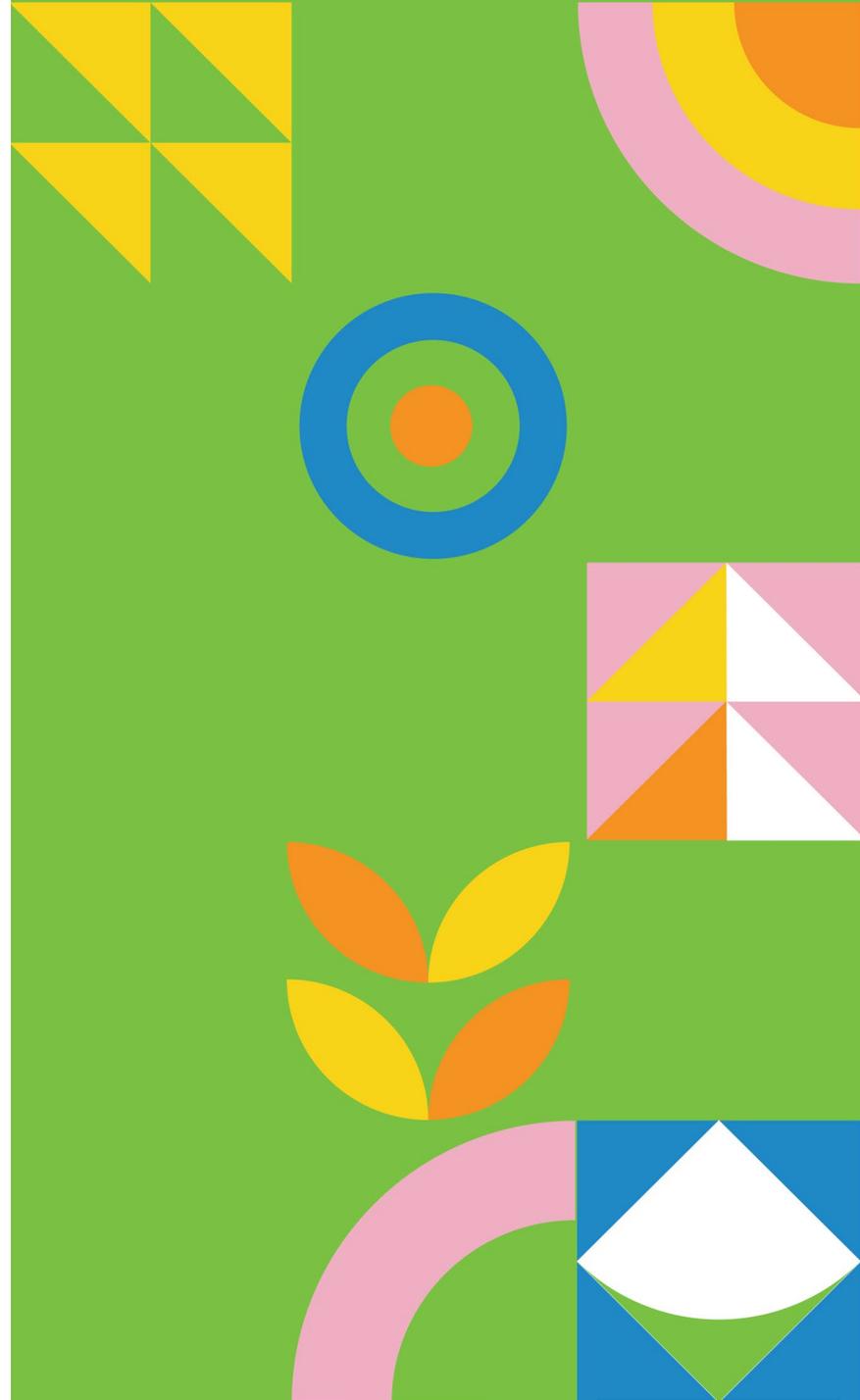
- Understanding Arc College Board
- What it means to be a Director
- Elections Timeline
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BOARD INFORMATION

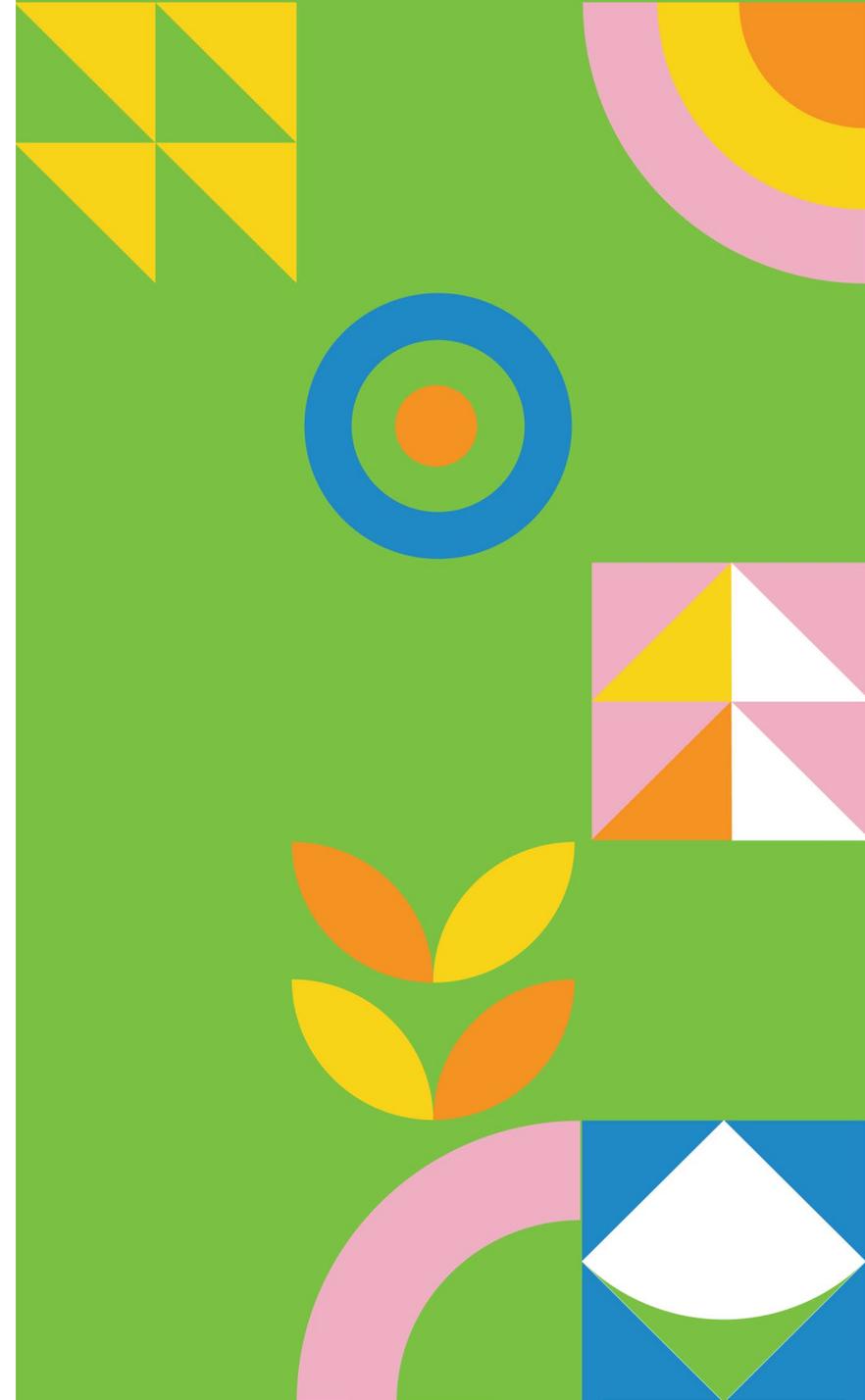
What is Arc @ UNSW COLLEGE?

- Established 2025
- Arc not ARC
- Registered Company limited by guarantee
- Not for Profit (registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission)
- Separate entity to UNSW College and UNSW
- Controlled entity under Arc@UNSW Limited
- Funding via UNSW College & Arc Support Agreement
- Subject to the Corporations Act 2001 and other federal and NSW legislation

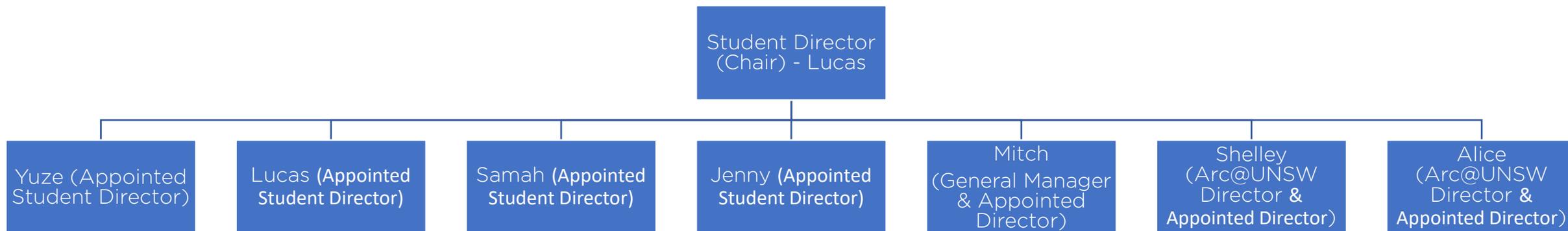


What is the Arc College Board?

- 7 Directors (4 students) + 3 appointed Directors
 - 4 x Student Directors (Elected by Students)
 - General Manager
 - 1 x Director (member from Arc@UNSW Board of Directors)
 - 1x Director (UNSW College staff member OR Arc@UNSW staff member OR other Arc@UNSW Board member)
- Strategic planning and decision making (not operational)
- Student-led
- Directors' duties apply
- Training and development in governance, finance, project management etc.
- Student directors are mentored by non-student Directors
- Board is still in its establishment and transition stage



BOARD DIRECTORS (2025-2026)



TERMS OF ELECTED STUDENT DIRECTORS

Positions Vacant

- Four (4) elected student positions are available each year. Two female and/or gender diverse students and two unrestricted. These are 2-year terms.
- The election will be taken to a vote when >2 nominations are received for each position category.

Terms of Office

Begin from June 2026, terms of office for these elections are as follows and determined by the ballot

- Two (2) elected Student Directors will hold office for two (2) years
- Two (2) elected Student Directors will hold office for one (1) year
- After the transitional Board's terms, Student Directors will be elected for two (2) year terms



ELIGIBILITY

- Current UNSW College Student OR UNSW College Alumni (during any of the three calendar years immediately preceding their graduation from UNSW College)
- Not in a 'position of profit' with Arc (i.e. employment).

[Sign up to Arc!](#)

Arc Member 2026 | UNSW College

Expires 31/12/2026

As a current UNSW College student, you have access to a huge range of Arc's services and events. From free food on campus to discounts on tickets throughout term. It's free, why wouldn't you sign up!

[View Membership Terms](#)

Free

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TIME COMMITMENT

Meetings

- Board meets at least quarterly (with some exceptions)
- All meetings are held weekdays, typically Wednesday from 12pm.
- Directors are expected to:
 - Attend all meetings.
 - Come prepared.
 - Speak up.
- There are no silly questions or ideas. If you're not sure, just ask. If you prefer, ask the Chair before the meeting. If you have an idea, let the Board hear it.

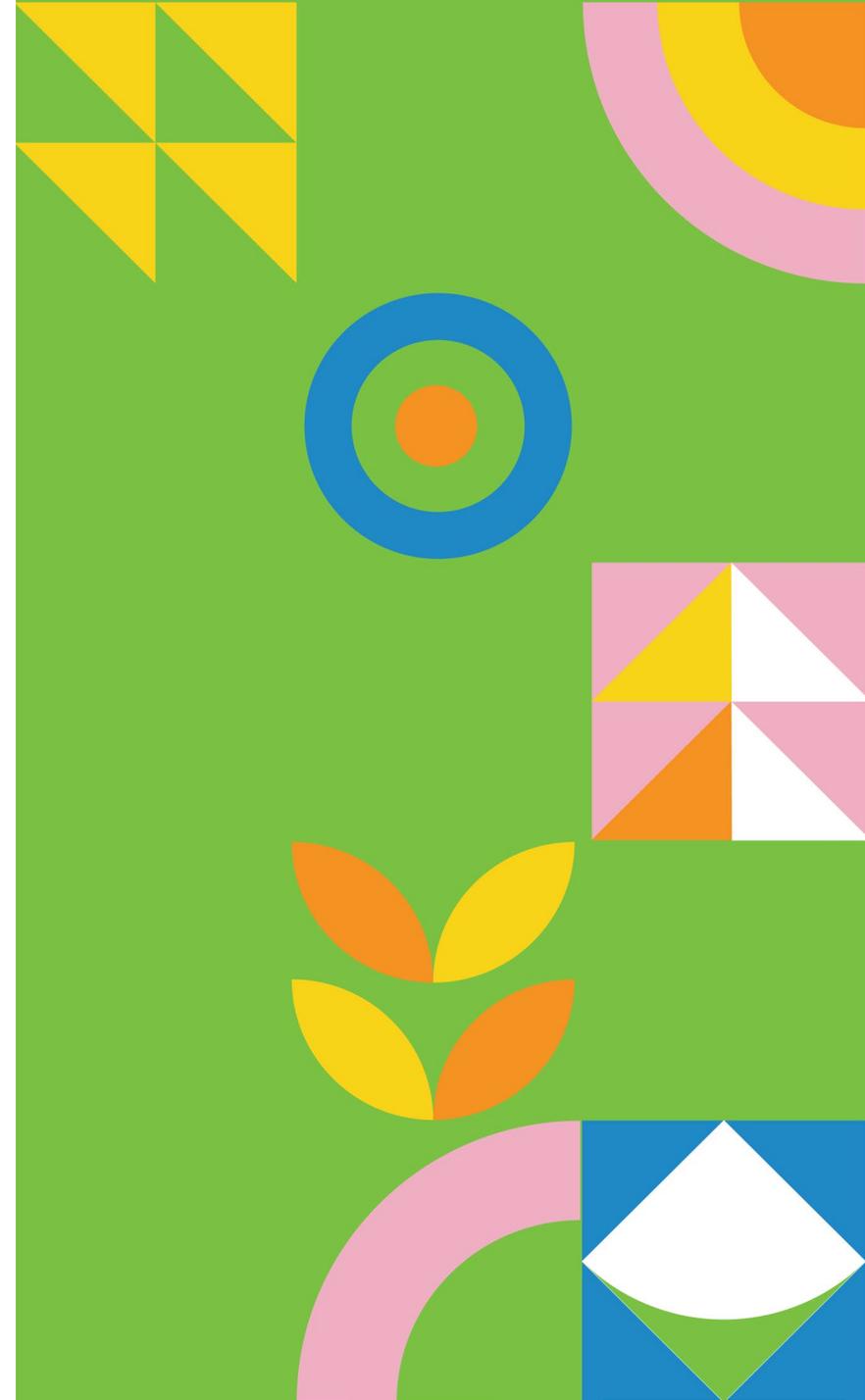
Time Commitment

- Training and induction (3 hours online, 3 hours in-person)
- During the quarterly meeting period ~3-4 hours per week for reading board papers and pre-meeting preparation



DEVELOPMENT & OPPORTUNITY

- Lots of learning - develop transferrable skills
- Influence the strategic direction of a company
- Amazing connections
- Building friendships
- Having a bigger voice on campus
- Learn about student life at UNSW



TIMELINE

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Notice of Elections	MON 23 FEB		Arc Website
Nominations Open	MON 2 MAR	9AM	Arc Website
Nominations Close	MON 16 MAR	Paper submission by 4PM, online by 11:59PM	Arc Website
Nominations Re-Open (if required)	MON 23 MAR	9AM	
Nominations Re-close (if required)	MON 30 MAR	Paper submission by 4PM, online by 11:59PM	
Online voting commences	MON 13 APR	7AM	ONLINE via BigPulse
Online voting concludes	THU 16 APR	9PM	ONLINE via BigPulse

NOMINATIONS

- Open Monday 2 MARCH 2026 9:00am
- Close Monday 16 MARCH paper submission by 4pm, online by 11:59pm

- Re-open (if required) Monday 23 March
- Re-close Monday 30 March, paper submission by 4pm, online by 11:59pm

Nomination forms can be found [HERE](#) and through the Arc Website

Nominations must be received by the Returning Officer no later than 11:59pm in electronic form or 4.00pm in paper form on Monday 16 March 2026 (or Monday 30 March in case of re-opening). Late nominations will not be accepted.

CAMPAIGNING BRIEFING



**EACH CANDIDATE MUST ABIDE BY AND
INFORM THEIR SUPPORTERS(S) AND
CAMPAIGNER(S) OF THE ARC COLLEGE
REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES & OBSERVE
THESE AT ALL TIMES**



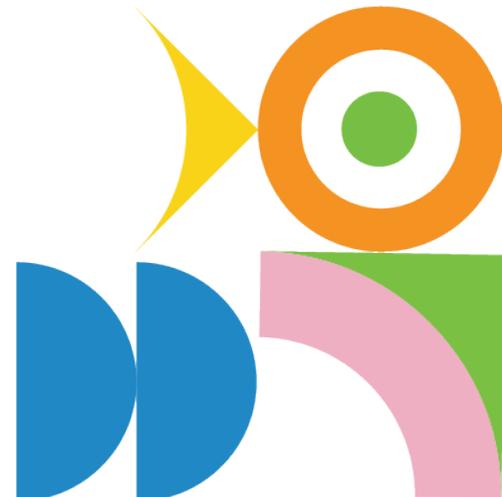
CAMPAIGNING

ONLINE, VERBAL & ON-CAMPUS CAMPAIGNING MAY COMMENCE MON 16 MAR 2026 11.59PM
ONLINE, VERBAL & ON-CAMPUS CAMPAIGNING MUST CONCLUDE THUR 16 APR 2026 9PM

Campaigning formats

- Online Campaigning: The use of social media platforms, emails, messages, digital flyers etc.
- Verbal campaigning: Informal conversations, with individuals. Wearing of campaign T-shirts and distribution of flyers is allowed throughout UNSW campuses.
- On-Campus Campaigning: Engaging with students via means of handing out flyers, conversations, a-frames, displaying posters etc.

On-campus campaigning is permitted in the Blockhouse and L5 only.



CAMPAIGNING GUIDELINES

All candidates nominate and run independently of Arc College

No candidate is endorsed or supported by Arc College

The Arc logo must not be used in any candidate campaign material



CAMPAIGNING GUIDELINES

- Only UNSW College students or UNSW College Alumni students may campaign for the election of a candidate.
- No campaign material may be produced using Arc or Arc College resources including Arc email accounts, offices, photocopiers and computers.
- No campaigning or campaign material production may take place in any Arc or UNSW College facility
- No campaign materials may be displayed or worn within Arc or Arc College owned or operated facilities. This includes Arc owned or operated social media
- Campaigning may only take place on UNSW College external grounds and surrounding footpaths
- Please read the Arc College Regulations regarding Election Campaigning carefully.
- Breach of any of the campaigning or election rules may result in penalty or disqualification.



CAMPAIGNING GUIDELINES (POSTERING)

- Postering is permitted in the following zones in L5 and the Blockhouse ONLY
 - Temporary whiteboard in L5 Common Room
 - Whiteboard in Room 117 in Blockhouse
- These zones will be indicated by the poster pictured on the right.
- Postering on noticeboards other than those identified is not permitted and removal may be requested by the Returning Officer



SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES

- Arc will not actively monitor online forums and social media platforms.
- Check your privacy settings.
- All campaign posts must include the name and zID of the candidate.
- Sponsored or paid social media posts, or other forms of paid advertising are not permitted.
- Publicity on any dating sites/apps is prohibited.
- UNSW or UNSW College or Arc@UNSW College student email lists MUST NOT be used for the purpose of campaigning or spam emails, unless the student has explicitly signed up for it.
- Any student receiving campaigning via direct message may request to be removed from messaging. The candidate(s) and/or campaigner(s) involved must remove the student within 24 hours of the request being sent



EVENT GUIDELINES

- Arc, Arc club & Arc College events **MUST NOT** be used to address groups of students for campaigning purposes, including displaying or distributing campaign material.
- Should an Arc publication (i.e Gamamari, Blitz) facilitate an event, Q&A session, debate, article or similar, the Returning Officer must approve the use of all content



CONDUCT

- All students involved in any way in the election must adhere to UNSW & Arc Codes of Conduct. The RO can impose penalties for non-compliance.
- Any candidate(s) or campaigner(s) who publish, display or distribute any inappropriate material (including aiding and/or abetting such behaviour) will be required to remove the material in question if directed by the Returning Officer, and issue a retraction if appropriate as directed by the Returning Officer.
- Any candidate(s) or campaigner(s) found to have breached this may be subject to penalty.



CAMPAIGNERS MUST NOT

- Engage in intimidatory, aggressive, threatening or harassing behaviour, whether that behaviour takes place in person, online or any other way
- Engage in any dishonest practice in relation to the election
- Publicise any campaign content that is untrue, misleading or deceptive, discriminatory, sexist, racist, or homophobic
- Mislead or hinder the Returning Officer or delegates in the execution of their duties

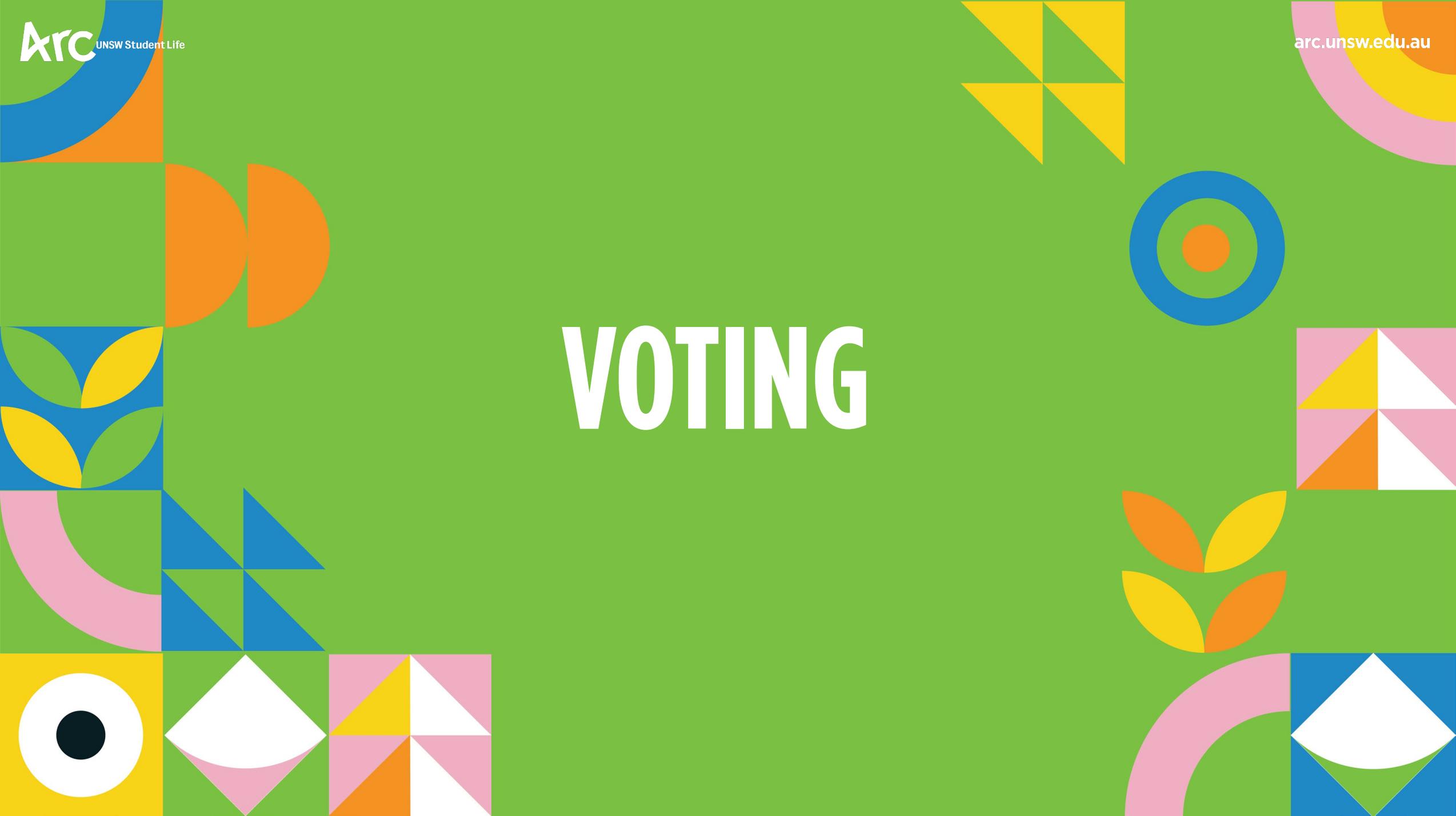


CAMPAIGNING CAN BE STRESSFUL!

REACH OUT IF YOU NEED SUPPORT

- ☐ UNSW COUNSELLING SERVICES – 9385 5418
- ☐ LIFELINE AUSTRALIA – 13 11 14
- ☐ BEYOND BLUE – 1300 224 636
- ☐ NSW MENTAL HEALTH LINE – 1800 011 511

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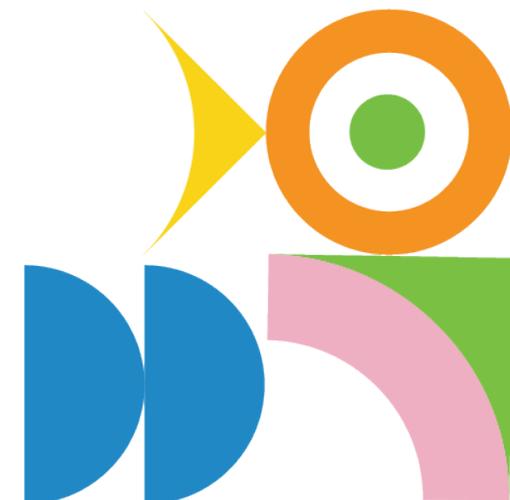
VOTING DATES

Online voting commences

Monday 13 April, 7am

Online voting concludes

Thursday 16 April, 9pm



VOTING

- Current UNSW College Students who have a valid Arc College Membership before 16/03/2025 (with a projected graduation date beyond 2026) are eligible to vote in these elections.
- All eligible members will receive one vote. An email containing the voting link will be sent to eligible members.
- **IMPORTANT** – This link will be sent to the email address provided by the member when they signed up for membership (it will not be sent to UNSW student email addresses unless that is the email you provided on your membership form).



For more information

Contact the Returning Officer

ceo.admin@arc.unsw.edu.au

