**2017 VUWSA General Election**

**Nomination Form**

Please read this form and supporting documents carefully before signing.

**Note: You must be a currently enrolled student and a member of VUWSA in order to serve on the VUWSA Executive**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **Contact number** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Student ID** |  |

**I am not currently a VUWSA member, but I would like to join VUWSA.**

I apply for the position(s) as indicated on this form and being a member of VUWSA, do hereby agree to be nominated to those position(s) of the 2018 VUWSA Executive. I agree to abide by Part V of the VUWSA Constitution regarding Elections.

I agree that I will, if elected, abide by and uphold the VUWSA Constitution, Goals, Statutes and Policies, and fulfil my duties as the holder of the position(s) I am applying for in accordance with the Constitution and Job Description of my portfolio.

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| **Signature** |  | **Date** |  |

**Please place this form in the Nomination Box in the VUWSA Kelburn Office or email it to returning.officer@vuwsa.org.nz**

Nominations open 9am on Monday 25th September and close at 4.30pm on Friday 29th September.

A candidates briefing will take place at 5pm on Monday 2nd October in the VUWSA Board Room.

**I agree to be nominated for the following positions:**

🞏 President

🞏 Academic Vice President

🞏 Welfare Vice President

🞏 Engagement Vice President

🞏 Treasurer-Secretary

🞏 Campaigns Officer

🞏 Clubs and Activities Officer

🞏 Education Officer

🞏 Equity Officer

🞏 Wellbeing and Sustainability Officer

**VUWSA Election Campaign Conduct of Electors and Applicants**

***The following information is applicable to all available positions on the VUWSA Student Executive for 2017.***

All candidates **must** adhere to the rules of the VUWSA Constitution.

**Conduct of Electors and Applicants**

1. All candidates standing for positions in elections are responsible for ensuring that the details on their nomination form are correct.

2. Any written correspondence for or with the Returning Officer shall be made to returning.officer@vuwsa.org.nz.

3. Candidates may not interfere with the campaign material of other candidates.

4. No candidate shall spend or cause to be spent more than $250 on the provision of personal election publicity.

5. All candidates shall provide the returning officer with receipt for all their expenditure on personal or joint election publicity.

6. Any departure from this may be dealt with under the sections relating to disputes in this schedule.

7. No person shall on the day of any poll or election in any way interfere with any elector either in the polling booth or on his/her way thereto with the intention of influencing him/her or advising him/her as how to vote.

8. No person shall on the day of any poll or election print, distribute or deliver to any person or place in the University anything having thereon any matter likely to influence any vote, or having or purporting to be an imitation of the voting paper to be used at the poll and having thereon the names of any candidates together with directions or indication of how any person should vote unless herein before provided.

9. It shall be the responsibility of the candidates to remove as far as physically possible all election propaganda other than that therein authorised before the commencement of the poll.

10. No person shall on the day of any poll or election attempt to breach the security of the electronic voting system in any way.

11. No person shall on the day of any poll or election send mass e-mail to students.

12. No person shall do any act to cause a departure from these election procedures while the poll is in progress.

13. Any irregularities during the conduct of the poll should be notified according to the procedures outlined in this schedule.

**Candidate Blurb Deadline**

**All candidate blurbs for the VUWSA website and Salient, must be submitted to: returning.officer@vuwsa.org.nz by no later than 5:00pm on Monday 2 October 2017.**

Blurbs are to be a maximum of **300 words** for President, **200 words** for Vice President and Officer Positions. Any blurb over said word count will be cut off at the exact word count. The accuracy, spelling and grammar of any submitted material is the candidate’s responsibility. No edits will be made to the written material once it is submitted, other than the removal of words over the maximum word count.

These blurbs, alongside candidates’ photos, will be reproduced in Salient, both print and online, on the VUWSA online voting website and VUWSA’s main website.

All candidates will be required to attend a candidates meeting at 5:00pm on Monday 2 October. Following this meeting a Salient photographer will take ALL candidates photos. If you are not able to attend the photo shoot, your photo will not be published alongside your candidate blurb.

**Charities Commission Compliance**

To comply with the Charities Act 2005, members of the VUWSA Executive must not be:

• an individual who is an undischarged bankrupt, or an officer who becomes disqualified after they have been certified. For example, if an officer becomes bankrupt part way through their term of office.

• an individual who is under the age of 16 years

• an individual who, or a body corporate that, has been convicted of a crime involving dishonesty (within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Crimes Act 1961) and has been sentenced for that crime within the last 7 years

• an individual who is prohibited from being a director or promoter of, or being concerned or taking part in the management of, a company under section 382, section 383, or section 385 of the Companies Act 1993

• an individual who, or a body corporate that, is disqualified from being an officer of a charitable entity under section 31(4) of the Charities Act 2005

• an individual who is subject to a property order made under the Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988, or whose property is managed by a trustee corporation under section 32 of that Act

• a body corporate that is being wound up, is in liquidation or receivership, or is 'subject to statutory management under the Corporations (Investigation and Management) Act 1989

• in relation to any particular entity, an individual who, or a body corporate that, does not comply with any qualifications for officers contained in the rules of that entity.

**I have read the Charities Commission Compliance and verify that none of these disqualifying factors apply to me. Also if I become bankrupt part way through my term of office I will notify VUWSA immediately.**

**Name:**

**Signature:**