

## Research and Graduate Studies Committee (RGSC)

La Trobe University  
Academic Board  
RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

This committee was established in December 1990 (Academic Board minute 263.5.1).

### Composition

- A Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) (Chair)
- B Chair of the Higher Degrees Committee (Research) (Deputy Chair)
- C One representative from each Faculty (with named alternative)
- D One postgraduate student, nominated by the La Trobe University Postgraduate Association (with named alternative)
- E One nominee of the Vice-Chancellor
- F Additional member(s) nominated by the Vice-Chancellor in order to achieve Objective 11 of the Affirmative Action Programme, where the Vice-Chancellor deems women's representation on the Committee to be under-represented.

### Membership

A	Professor T Brown (Chair)	ex officio
B	Professor Andrew Brennan (Deputy Chair)	ex officio
C	Professor M Robertson (Education)	2009
C	Professor Z Hoque (Law & Management)	2010
C	Professor A Street (Health Sciences)	2010
C	Professor M Lake (Humanities and Social Sciences)	2010
C	Professor P Fisher (Science Technology & Engineering)	2011
D	Ms X Fu (LUPA)	2010
E	Professor S McDonald	2010
E	Professor D Altman	2011
E	Professor A Duncan	2011
F	Professor R LaPolla	2009

NB: Administrative staff are ineligible for election as members of the Standing Committees of the Academic Board (Academic Board min ref 270.1, August 1991).

**Term of Office** - Two years.

### Terms of Reference

To consider and advise the Board on the:

1. the promotion of research and the setting of research priorities within the University;
2. the establishment of research related policy in relation to interaction with State and Federal governments and their various instrumentalities;
3. the monitoring of performance of Research Centres and Institutes within the University;

4. policy matters related to the conduct of research, including publications, ethics of human and animal experimentation and research consultancies;
5. distribution of research funding;
6. proposals for new research degrees and professional doctorates;
7. award and conditions of:
  - all postgraduate studentships, scholarships and grants; and
  - postdoctoral fellowships and grants
8. to receive advice from its sub-Committees on matters specified in their respective Terms of Reference. The following are sub-Committees of the RGSC:
  - Animal Ethics Committee
  - Higher Degrees Committee (Research)
  - Human Ethics Committee
  - Genetic Manipulation Supervisory Committee

**Secretariat** – Dr David Phillips, Director, Research Services

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