

**UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA**  
**THREE UP COUNCIL MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION**  
**2025**  
**VOTING PROCESS**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**1. Who forms the Convocation?**

The Convocation of the University of Pretoria consists of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, the Vice-Principals, the Executive Directors, the Registrar, the Deans of faculties, the permanent academic employees of the University, professors *emeriti*, other retired academic employees and such other persons as the Council may determine; as well as all other persons who have obtained a qualification, as approved by Senate and Council, from the University.

**2. What is the term of office for the Convocation members who serve on the UP Council?**

The Convocation members who serve on the UP Council are appointed for a four (4) year term.

**3. Who qualifies to vote?**

Only a person whose name appears on the members' list at the time of his or her claiming a right to vote as a member of the Convocation is entitled to vote.

**4. What happens to members of the Convocation who have not updated their details?**

It is the responsibility of members of the Convocation to ensure that their details are updated on the University's system. The Alumni Office also ran several campaigns this year, encouraging Alumni to update their details. The final deadline for updating of details was Wednesday, 23 April 2025. Those who had not updated their details before the deadline will not be able to vote in this election.

**5. Will I be able to vote via paper ballot?**

No provision has been made for paper ballots as this election will be conducted by means of an electronic voting process only. This detail was included in the call for nominations.

**6. How many candidates have been duly nominated and comply with the applicable criteria for election as Convocation members to serve on the UP Council?**

A total of eight (8) candidates were duly nominated and comply with the applicable criteria for election as Convocation members to serve on the UP Council.

**7. How many votes does each voter have?**

Each member of the Convocation may vote once for each candidate. Thus, each voter may vote Yes, No or Abstain in respect of each.

**8. What is the deadline for casting votes?**

Voting closes at 16:00 on Friday, 6 June 2025. No exceptions will be made.

**9. Will the candidates who get the most votes be appointed?**

Voting is on the suitability of the nominated candidates. The appointment of Convocation members to serve on the UP Council will be made by Council, following a recommendation by the Members' Committee, and having due regard for the experience, expertise and diversity requirements of the Council and the outcome of the voting on suitability of the candidates.

**10. What do I do if I have enquiries related to the voting process?**

Please contact the help desk at (012) 420 3831 or email [william.dekokk@up.ac.za](mailto:william.dekokk@up.ac.za) for assistance with any enquiries related to the voting process.

**11. What processes have been put in place to safeguard the integrity of this election?**

The results of the election will be independently audited before any announcements are made.

**12. When will the results of the election be announced?**

The results of the election will be announced on Monday, 30 June 2025.