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# ANIMAL ETHICS COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



#### DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN ANIMAL ETHICS?

The Animal Care and Ethics Committee (ACEC) is seeking additional members and is seeking your assistance.

### WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP?

A Category A (Veterinarian) member is a person:

 with qualifications in veterinary science and with experience relevant to the institution's activities or the ability to acquire relevant knowledge.

A Category B (Academic) member is a person:

 a suitably qualified person with substantial and recent experience in the use of animals for scientific purposes relevant to the institution and the business of the ACEC. This must include possession of a higher degree in research or equivalent experience.

### A Category C (Welfare) member is a person:

- with a commitment to, and established experience in, furthering the welfare of animals. While not representing an animal welfare organisation, the person may already be involved in a such an organisation and,
- who has not been involved in the use of animals in scientific or teaching activities.

# A Category D (Community) member is a person:

- who has <u>not</u> been involved in the use of animals in scientific or teaching activities and,
- who is expected to bring a completely independent view to the ACEC.

#### **ABOUT THE ACEC**

The ACEC is a broad based committee made up of animal researchers, veterinarians, animal welfare representatives and independent community members.

The primary responsibility of the ACEC is to ensure, on behalf of the University, that all care and use of animals is conducted in compliance with the Code. The role of the ACEC is to ensure that the use of animals is justified, provides for the welfare of those animals and incorporates the principles of Replacement, Reduction and Refinement.

#### SITTING FEES

For external members, there is a sitting fee of \$200 paid for each meeting attended.

#### FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS

Monthly meeting start in February each year. Meetings are held at the Campbelltown and Hawkesbury campuses at 1pm. Most meetings are completed by 4.30pm.

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#### **DURATION OF APPOINTMENT**

Members are appointed for three years and will commence from 1 January 2019.

# FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING ANIMAL ETHICS

Refer to the university <u>Research Integrity</u> and <u>Ethics</u> webpage for published and university based guidelines and resources.

### WHAT IF I AM INTERESTED IN APPLYING?

If you know someone who would be interested in this role, please ask them to forward their contact details, a brief outline of their educational and professional background to the email address below.

#### **FURTHER QUESTIONS**

For further clarifications please contact Graham Ramsay, Animal Ethics Officer, Tel: 4736 0884 or <u>animalethics@westernsydney.edu.au</u>