



JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY – ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS – COUNCIL POSITIONS

This information sheet provides a basic guide to the legislative requirements regarding eligibility to become or remain in the office of an additional, appointed or elected member or the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor or Chairperson of the Academic Board. The legislation should always be referred to where a comprehensive understanding of the legislative requirements is needed.

WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR A PERSON TO BECOME A MEMBER? ²

The James Cook University Act 1997 provides that a person is not eligible to become an official (Chancellor, Vice Chancellor or Chairperson of the Academic Board), appointed, additional or elected member ifc Board) the person is not eligible (a).

In addition, a person is not eligible to be elected or appointed as an elected, appointed or additional member if the person's election or appointment as the member would result in the person being a member for twelve years or more (whether continuously or not) unless the majority of members of the Council agree the person is eligible to be appointed or elected as an appointed or additional or elected member.

UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES DOES THE OFFICE OF AN ELECTED, APPOINTED, ADDITIONAL OR OFFICIAL MEMBER BECOME VACANT? ³

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- The National Personal Insolvency Index³ to ensure that a person is not an undischarged bankrupt or has not executed a personal insolvency agreement and the terms of the agreement have not been met.

To ascertain if a person has been convicted of an indictable offence, it is recommended that the university check the person's criminal history.

The James Cook University Act 1997 provides that the Council may ask the Queensland Police Service to provide a report on a person's criminal history to decide whether a person is eligible to be an elected or additional member or the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor or Chairperson of the Academic Board.

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