Organisational chart

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Council

Vice-Chancellor and President

Professor Duncan Bentley

Academic Board Chair
Professor
Bernadine Van Gramberg

Executive Director, Government Relations and Public Policy
Jaime de Ano

Quality, Accreditation and Partnerships
Associate Professor Jason Giri

Pro Vice-Chancellor, Learning and Teaching and the Institute of Education, Arts and Community

Professor Birgit Loch

Disciplines
- Arts, criminology and criminal justice
- Education and early childhood
- Performing arts
- Social work, community and human services
- Visual arts

- Reconciliation and National Centre for Reconciliation, Truth and Justice
- Learning and Teaching

Pro Vice-Chancellor, Co-operative Education and the Institute of Health and Wellbeing

Professor Andrew Lewis

Disciplines
- Exercise and sport science
- Midwifery
- Nursing
- Occupational therapy
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Psychology
- Speech pathology

Pro Vice-Chancellor, Research and Innovation and the Institute of Innovation, Science and Sustainability

Professor Iven Mareels

Disciplines
- Business
- Engineering and mathematics
- Information technology
- Science

- Innovation
- Asia Pacific Renewable Energy Training Centre (APRETC)
- Federation Opportunities for Regional Growth and Entrepreneurship (FORGE)

- Research
- Centre for eResearch and Digital Innovation (CeRDI)
- Collaboration Evaluation and Research Centre (CERC)
- Centre for New Energy Transition Research (CfNETR)
- Future Regions Research Centre (FRRC)
- Centre for Regional Education Research Development (CRERD)
- Health Innovation Transformation Centre (HITC)
- Centre of Smart Analytics (CSA)
- Graduate Research School

Pro Vice-Chancellor, VET and Pathways and Chief Executive, TAFE

Darren Gray

- Ballarat Tech School
- Federation College

Disciplines
- Building and construction
- Community services
- Corrections education
- Healthcare industries
- Pathways
- Renewable energy and engineering
- Service industries and environment
- Technology, education and business

- VET and Pathways

Pro Vice-Chancellor, Engagement and Co-op

Leigh Kennedy

- Engagement
- Co-operative Placements
- Regional Strategy and Engagement
- Business Development
- Advancement and Alumni

Chief Learner Experience Officer

Samantha Bartlett

- Marketing and Growth
- Student Services and Registrar
- Retention, Innovation and Student Experience
- Digital Channels and Strategy
- Corporate Communications, Events and Advocacy
- Global Student Recruitment
- Indigenous and AEC

Chief Operating Officer

Paul Oppenheimer

- Office of COO
- People and Culture
- Transformation, Assets and Commercial
- Information Technology Services
- Digital Architecture
- Legal and Compliance
- Fed Services
- Library Services
- Research and Innovation Services

Chief Financial Officer

John Blair

- Financial Management
- Financial Operations
- Corporate and Commercial Finance

Director, Strategy, Governance and VCO

Megan Tucker

- University Secretary
- Governance
- Strategy and Planning
- Policy Services
- Executive Services