

## ACADEMIC BOARD ELECTIONS 2016

### Deputy Chair of the Academic Board

#### Personal statements

**Professor Andy Bennett**

Prior to his eight years employment at Deakin, Andy worked at universities in Australia, United Kingdom and Europe, including Reader at University of Bristol. At Deakin, Andy has held the position of Head of School and has previously represented his School on the Academic Board; Deakin's representative on the Victorian Centre for Climate Change Adaptation Research; member of the University HDR working party, and has won significant external research funds (>\$4M) for Deakin from engagement with industry and ARC. Andy teaches to first, second and third year students, sits on various national expert panels, is President of the Australasian Society for the Study of Animal Behaviour, is a Fellow of the International Ornithological Union, and has been elected by his national peers to be Congress Convenor for hosting the quadrennial International Ornithological Congress in Melbourne.

**A/Professor Jo Coldwell-Neilson**

Jo has held a variety of positions within the University since joining Deakin in 1997, including secondment to the Office of DVC (Online Services) as a Senior Academic Advisor (2002-2003), Faculty eLearning Manager (2002-2007) and Associate Head (T&L) from 2008 to 2014. She is a member of Academic Board (2000-2001, 2015 –) and IT sub-committee (2000-2003) and is currently Chair, Course Standards Committee (since 2015). Jo has chaired or been a member of a number of University working parties related to ICT adoption and implementation and has participated in Faculty governance through Faculty Board and T&L committees. Jo has chaired the Women in Science and Technology Advisory Committee (2000-2004) which received an EEO commendation for the mentoring scheme initiated by the committee and is a founding member of the SEBE Gender Summit working party which received a VC commendation in 2015. She has been involved with the Go Girl Go for IT initiative since 2006 as a member of the Steering Committee and Chair, Facilities Committee.

**A/Professor Ambika Zutshi**

Ambika has a Bachelor's in Environmental Sciences (Delhi University), a Masters' in Environmental Management (UWS) and PhD (Monash). Currently she is the HDR Director (2015-present); and previously was the Chair (2014-15), and Co-Chair (2012-13) of the Faculty of Business and Law Academic Progress Committee; Academic Board Member (2013); Member of Credit for Prior Learning (2005-2010; 2013-15); and Emergency warden (since 2004). Her research is focused in the area of corporate social responsibility, business ethics, environmental management system, and supply chain. She has over 76 publications across journals and books, and is a reviewer to over 20 international journals.