This regulation is made pursuant to Statute 3.1 – *Officers and Staff of the University*.

1. The Council in accordance with section 26 of the *Deakin University Act 2009* (‘the Act’):
   (a) shall appoint a person to be Vice-Chancellor of the University; and
   (b) may grant to the Vice-Chancellor the rank and the title of Professor.

2. The Vice-Chancellor shall:
   (a) be designated as Vice-Chancellor, President and Chief Executive Officer;
   (b) be an official member of Council in accordance with section 11 of the Act;
   (c) be responsible to the Council for the conduct and management of the University's affairs in all matters, as a whole and, in particular, for the academic and administrative affairs of the University and for maintaining and promoting efficiency and good order subject to the Act, the University statutes and university regulations and the resolutions of the Council;
   (d) have such powers, functions and duties as are conferred or imposed by the Act, University statutes and university regulations and as are delegated by notice in writing to him or her by the Council;
   (e) resign from such other positions and relinquish such other responsibilities as directed by the Council upon taking up the duties of office;
   (f) hold office for such period and on such terms and conditions as the Council determines. The terms and conditions of the appointment of the Vice-Chancellor shall be contained in a written contract;
   (g) be an ex-officio member of every Faculty and of all boards and committees within the University and may, if he or she so desires, preside at any meeting of a Faculty, board or committee, subject to the prior right of the Chancellor or a Deputy Chancellor to preside at any such meeting;
   (h) have the power to constitute and appoint committees and working parties to provide advice and make recommendations to the Vice-Chancellor; and
   (i) report to the Council on various matters as directed by the Council or deemed appropriate by the Vice-Chancellor.

3. Unless otherwise expressly provided by the Act, the University statutes and university regulations or Council resolution, the Vice-Chancellor may:
   (a) appoint any and all staff; and
   (b) by notice in writing, delegate any or all of the powers, functions and duties conferred or imposed on him or her by the Act and any university statute or university regulation (other than this power of delegation) to any person or committee as he or she may think fit, and that notice shall be sufficient authority for that person or that committee to exercise the powers, functions and duties so delegated. The Vice-Chancellor may, at any time and from time to time, by notice in writing vary or revoke a delegation made by him or her under this decision.
4. If the Vice-Chancellor proposes to be absent from the University for a period of less than three months, the Vice-Chancellor may, by notice in writing, nominate an Acting Vice-Chancellor to act in his or her place during that absence.

5. Council may appoint an Acting or Interim Vice-Chancellor for a period not exceeding 12 months:
   (a) in the absence of the Vice-Chancellor, other than as described in section 4;
   (b) during any vacancy in the office of Vice-Chancellor; or
   (c) during the inability of the Vice-Chancellor to act, other than as described in section 4.

6. A person appointed or nominated as an Acting or Interim Vice-Chancellor may or may not be a Deputy Vice-Chancellor and shall, during the absence of the Vice-Chancellor, exercise all the powers, carry out all the functions and be subject to the duties and responsibilities of the office of the Vice-Chancellor.

Deputy Vice-Chancellors

7. The Council may:
   (a) appoint such number of persons, whether members of the Council or not, as it deems necessary to be Deputy Vice-Chancellors of the University for the term and on such conditions as determined by the Council; and
   (b) grant to a Deputy Vice-Chancellor the rank and the title of Professor.

8. A Deputy Vice-Chancellor shall:
   (a) have such powers, functions and duties as are conferred by the Council, as are prescribed by university statute or university regulation and as are delegated by notice in writing to him or her by the Vice-Chancellor; and
   (a) resign from such other positions and relinquish such other responsibilities as directed by the Vice-Chancellor upon taking up the duties of office.

9. If a Deputy Vice-Chancellor proposes to be absent from the University for a period:
   (a) of less than or equal to three months, the Vice-Chancellor may, by notice in writing, nominate an Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor to act in his or her place during that absence; or
   (b) of more than three months, Council may, on the advice of the Vice-Chancellor, appoint an Interim Deputy Vice-Chancellor to act in his or her place during that absence.

10. The Vice-Chancellor may appoint an Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor to act:
    (a) during any vacancy in the office of a Deputy Vice-Chancellor; or
    (b) during any inability of a Deputy Vice-Chancellor to act, other than as described in section 9.

11. A person nominated or appointed pursuant to sections 9 or 10 shall, during the absence of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor referred to therein, exercise all powers, carry out all the functions and be subject to the duties of the office of that Deputy Vice-Chancellor.