



Office of the Interim Registrar

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING: (i) SECRETARY AND (ii) TWO (2) ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE CONVOCATION OF SEFAKO MAKGATHO HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

Following the first call for nominations issued in September 2025 and closed at 16:00 on 10 October 2025, and after vetting in strict accordance with the Institutional Statute and the Constitution of the Convocation, it was confirmed that no eligible nominations were established for the positions of Secretary and two (2) Additional Members of the Convocation Executive. Accordingly, a targeted second call for nominations is hereby issued **for these two categories only**. All other categories from the first call remain unaffected and will proceed in the ordinary course. The General Meeting of Convocation, at which elections will be concluded, is envisaged to take place **during March/ April 2026**; the formal notice specifying the exact date, venue and will also announce the validated nominations per position.

As established under the Institutional Statute of the Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University, 2022 ("Statute"), the Convocation is, in terms of paragraph 48(2) of the Statute, required to:

- facilitate liaison between the University and its former students and academic employees;
- create networks and canvass support for the strategic objectives of the University; and
- organize former students and academic employees of the University with a view to facilitating representation of this constituency on appropriate governance structures.

Accordingly, and consistent with paragraph 48(1) of the Statute, the Convocation shall consist of (i) all persons who obtained a qualification from SMU; (ii) all persons who were members of the Convocation before the commencement of the Statute of the University (persons who obtained qualifications from the former Medunsa or Medunsa Campus of the University of Limpopo); (iii) the Vice-Chancellor, the Deputy Vice-Chancellors, the Executive Officials, the Registrar, the deans of schools, the academic employees on the staff establishment of SMU, professors *emiriti*, retired employees and such other persons as the Council may determine; (iv) all persons who obtained ordinary membership of the Alumni association who are not members of Convocation as defined above.

The nomination procedure for the above office bearers is spelt out in paragraph 22, read with paragraphs 49(5) and 51(2) of the Statute, and include the following amongst others:

- The Convocation must elect the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and two additional members (Office Bearers) from among its members, **who are neither employees nor students of the University**, and who will hold the office for a period of three years, or for such shorter period as he or she may be a member of the Convocation;
- Nominations for the Office Bearers of the Convocation must be given in writing (on a prescribed form) to the Registrar before a date determined by him or her;



- c. Each nomination must be signed by at **least three members of the Convocation** and countersigned by the nominee to denote his or her acceptance of the nomination.
- d. For the duration of the election of the Office Bearers, the Vice-Chancellor acts as Chairperson of the meeting; and
- e. If more than one candidate is nominated for one of the offices, voting takes place by secret ballot at the General meeting of Convocation.

Accordingly, members of the Convocation are hereby requested to nominate candidates eligible for election to **any of the three (3) positions spelt out above, (Secretary and two (2) additional members)**. **Each nomination on the prescribed form must be accompanied by a comprehensive curriculum vitae of the nominee indicating the skills and experience of the nominee.**

Nomination forms can be obtained from the official SMU website, www.SMU.ac.za and can be forwarded via email to nominations.elections@smu.ac.za but must reach the Registrar's Office by no later than 16h00 on Friday, 26 December 2025. For more information, contact the Interim Registrar's Office at simon.mokoena@smu.ac.za

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NOMINATION FORM FOR CONVOCAATION OFFICE BEARERS: SECRETARY AND TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

NOMINATION OF A CANDIDATE

Nominee's name: _____

Nominee's student number or ID number of the nominee: _____

Nominee's acceptance: YES NO

Signature of the nominee, accepting the nomination: _____ and

Date _____

Position nominated for: _____ (it can only be one position per this form)

NOMINATED BY (MEMBER OF CONVOCAATION)

First and last name: _____

ID number of the nominator: _____

Signature _____ and Date _____

SECONDED BY ANOTHER NOMINATOR (1) - MEMBER OF CONVOCAATION

First and last name: _____

ID number of the nominator: _____

Signature _____ and Date _____

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SECONDED BY ANOTHER NOMINATOR (2) – MEMBER OF CONVOCATION

First and last name: _____

ID number of the nominator: _____

Signature: _____ and Date: _____

SECONDED BY ANOTHER NOMINATOR (3) – MEMBER OF CONVOCATION

First and last name: _____

ID number of the nominator: _____

Signature: _____ and Date: _____

A comprehensive Curriculum Vitae of the nominee to be attached to the form. Nominations form without a comprehensive curriculum vitae will not be considered,

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For more information, kindly contact Mr Henno Croucamp at henno.croucamp@smu.ac.za

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