UNIVERSITY COURT - Register of Interests - **2026/27** (as at 29/09/26)
including independent, elected, nominated and ex officio – lay members of governance committees

Name	Position	Term of Office	Current employment and any previous employment in which you continue to have a financial interest	Appointments (voluntary or otherwise) e.g. trusteeships, directorships, local authority membership, tribunals etc.	Membership of any professional bodies, special interest groups or mutual support organisations.	Investments in unlisted companies, partnerships and other forms of business, major shareholdings of more than 1% of issued capital and beneficial interests.	Gifts or hospitality offered to you by external bodies and whether these were declined or accepted in the last six months.	Any contractual relationship with the University, its subsidiaries or associated ventures.	Any other conflicts that are not covered by the above.
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Iona FYFE	Rector	01/01/25 to **31/12/27**	Self-employed professional musician, vocal piano tutor, touring and recording artist	VOLUNTARY CURRENT APPOINTMENTS • Ordinary Committee Member - Oor Vyce • Director - Traditional Music and Song Association • Regional Committee Member of Musicians Union Scotland and Northern Ireland Branch • Committee Member of Ivor Novello Scotland Committee • Folk Alliance International Globalization Committee	• Member of The Musicians Union • Member of the Ivor Novello Academy • Member of Mechanical Copyright Protection Society • Member of the Scottish National Party • Member of the Performing Rights Society • Patron of the Music Venues Trust	Sole director/shareholder of Cairnie Music Ltd	Nil	Nil	Have previously performed at Wayword Festival, run by the University. Have previously delivered workshops/talks for the Elphinstone Institute and been paid for both
Peter EDWARDS	Principal and Vice-Chancellor	01/11/25 to **31/10/27**	University of Aberdeen	**ONE** (Opportunity North East) (Board member – Director); **Newbattle Abbey College Trust Ltd** (Director); **Universities UK (Universities Scotland)** (Trustee); **Iona Cathedral Trust** (Ex officio Trustee); **Cruickshank Botanic Gardens Trust** (Ex officio Trustee - Chair position); **Miss A H Cruickshank's Special Trust** (Ex officio Trustee); **The John Gordon Charitable Fund** (Ex officio Trustee); **The Strachan & Duthie Webster Bursaries Trust** (Ex officio Trustee); **University of Aberdeen Development Trust** (Ex-officio Trustee); **The John Marnoch Memorial Trust** (Ex officio Trustee); **Mary Davidson Smith Clerical and Educational Fund for Aberdeenshire** (Ex officio Trustee); **C B Davidson Trust** (Ex officio Trustee); **NE Scotland Investment Zone Joint Committee** (Member); **Aberdeen City Region Deal Joint Committee** (Member)	Fellow of the British Computer Society (also designated CITP); Fellow of the Institution of Engineering & Technology; Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, Manufactures & Commerce	Nil	Dinner – Taj Palace Hotel, Mumbai - Daskalos/India JV Partner (Sunday 11 January 2026) Dinner – Indian Accent, Mumbai - Daskalos/India JV Partner (Monday 12 January 2026)	Nil	Son is currently a student at the University of Aberdeen
Gary MCRAE	Interim Senior Governor (from 17/12/25)	01/10/19 to 30/09/22; 01/10/22 to 30/09/25; 01/10/25 to 30/09/26; 01/10/26 to **30/09/28.**	See appointments	Non-Exec Director – Frimley Health FT Non-Exec Director – FAC Technology Ltd Non-Exec Director - Edinburgh Innovations Ltd	Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland (ICAS – 15050)	FAC Technology Limited > 5%	Nil	Nil	Nil
Martin A MILLS	Academic Staff Member	01/08/26 to **31/07/29**		Executive Committee member of the Council for the Defence of British Universities	Member of the University & College Union (UCU)				
Tracey H INNES	Professional Services Staff Member	01/08/26 to **31/07/29**	UoA Professional Services Staff Member	Nil	Member of Graduate Futures Institute; Chartered Member - CIPD	Nil	Nil	Employment contract	
Nathaniel GREENE	Academic Trade Union Nominated Member	01/08/26 to **31/07/29**	University of Aberdeen	Nil	UCU, Society of Biblical Literature, Society for Old Testament Studies, Catholic Biblical Association of America	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Brian PATERSON	Non-Academic Trade Union Nominated Member	01/08/26 to **31/07/29**	Yes, current employment/salary for both myself and my spouse.						
Karen SCOTT	Assessor - Senatus	01/10/25 to **30/09/29**	University of Aberdeen	Board member of ISAPP (International Scientific Association of Probiotics and Prebiotics) - unpaid academic role	Nil	Nil	Nil	Member of staff	Nil
Trevor STACK	Assessor - Senatus	01/10/25 to **30/09/29**	Professor of Spanish and Latin American Studies and Director, Centre for Citizenship, Civil Society and Rule of Law (CISRUL), School of Language, Literature & Visual Culture, University of Aberdeen	Member, Local Empowerment Group (Central Aberdeen), Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Partnership	Member of the University & College Union (UCU)	Nil	Nil	See current employment	Child studying at the University
Bert TIMMERMANS	Assessor - Senatus	23/02/26 to **30/09/27**	University of Aberdeen	Nil	Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness; European Society for Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience; European Society for Cognitive Psychology; Scottish Green Party	Nil	Nil	See current employment	Nil
Ilia XYPOLIA	Assessor - Senatus	03/10/22 to 30/09/23; 01/10/23 to **30/09/27**	University of Aberdeen; small income from publishing related work	External Examiner, University of Edinburgh, UK (2024-2028) (paid); External Evaluator, Malta Further and Higher Education Authority, Malta, (2023-2024) (paid); Advisory Board, Institute for Alternative Policies, Greece (unpaid)	Member, British International Studies Association; Fellow, Higher Education Academy	Nil	Nil	Nil	Partner also works for the University of Aberdeen;
Kaitlin AGIUS	Student nominated by Students' Association	01/07/26 to **30/06/27**	Student President at Aberdeen University Students' Association (AUSA)	Chair of the Board of Trustees for AUSA	Nil	Nil	Nil	Students' Union Officer and Chair of Trustee Board	Nil
Hannah COWIE	Student nominated by Students' Association	01/07/26 to **30/06/27**							
Lesley May BIRSE	Independent Member	31/08/24 to **30/08/27**	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

Neil Douglas CALVERT	Independent Member	26/09/25 to **30/09/28**	Nil	Commission for Local Administration in England (The Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman): Independent Advisory Board Member and Chair of the Remuneration and Appointments Committee since 2024; Derbyshire Local Government Pension Board: Independent Chair since 2023; The Nursing and Midwifery Council: Member of Investigating Committee since 2021 (and Panel Chair since 2025); The General Optical Council: Member of Investigation Committee since 2023; The Architects' Registration Board: Member of Professional Conduct Committee since 2024; The General Pharmaceutical Council: Reserve Deputy Chair of Fitness to Practise Committee since 2024; Cambridge University Press and Assessment: Member of OCR Appeals Committee since 2025	Institute of Directors: Member; Pensions Management Institute: Professional Member and Accredited Lay Trustee	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Ewan Douglas CAMERON	Independent Member	01/08/24 to **31/07/27**	Snoonu Trading & Services WLL, Doha, Qatar, Deputy CEO	Director, TriDoha LLCG, Qatar	Fellow Member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Donall Joseph CURTIN	Independent Member	26/09/25 to **30/09/28**	Nil	**Independent Non-Executive Director & Member of the Audit & Risk Committee** of: • Design and Artists Copyright Society Ltd • Registers of Scotland (Chair) • Irish College Leuven (The Leuven Institute for Ireland in Europe ivzw) (chair) **Member of the Audit & Risk Committee of:** • Institute and Faculty of Actuaries • Student Loan Company • Bar Council/Bar Standards Board (chair) • Chartered Society of Physiotherapy • Screenskills • Equality & Human Rights Commission • Northern Ireland Assembly Commission Member **Finance & Planning Committee of:** • General Pharmaceutical Council • Chartered Accountants Ireland • Association of Chartered Certified Accountants • Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy Member of Transformation Oversight Committee - Student Loans Company Chairs' Cluster - Scottish Government's Public Service Reform **Independent Non-Executive Director** of Scottish Fire & Rescue Service	Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Institute of Directors Irish Fund Directors Association Institute of Risk Management Institute of Internal Auditors The Chartered Governance Institute The Institute of Leadership & Management Institute of Regulation Chapter Zero, the Directors' Climate Forum Association of Chairs Association for Coaching Chartered Institute of Housing European Movement Ireland Royal Society for Arts	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Luke HALLIDAY	Independent Member (Senior Independent Member)	01/10/23 to 31/08/26; 01/09/26 to **31/08/29**	(Former) CIO for John Wood Group Plc	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Ayten HAJIYEVA	Independent Member	03/12/24 to **31/07/27**	BP Exploration (Caspian Sea)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Fiona ISLAM-CHOUDHURY	Independent Member	01/08/24 to **31/07/27**	Royal Bank of Canada	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Caryn MILLER	Independent Member	31/10/21 to 30/10/24; 31/10/24 to **31/07/27**	Partner of CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarra Olswang LLP	Member, CMS Cameron McKenna LLP; Member, CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP; Director, DW Director 1 Limited; Designated Member, CMS (UAE) LLP; Director, Twenty-eight Nominees Ltd; Director, Dundas & Wilson Staff Pension Trustee Ltd; Director, Dundas & Wilson (Holdings) Ltd; Director, Dundas & Wilson CS Ltd; Director, DW Company Services Ltd; Director, DW Property Aberdeen Ltd; Director, D&W Limited; Director, DW Property Edinburgh Ltd; Director, DW Property Glasgow Ltd; Director, DW Property London Ltd; Director, Dundas & Wilson Services; Designated Member, Dundas & Wilson LLP; Designated Member, Dundas & Wilson CS LLP	Law Society of Scotland; Law Society of England & Wales	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Lorenzo MORETTI	Independent Member	19/11/24 to **31/07/27**	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Alison RANKIN	Independent Member	01/10/23 to 31/08/26; 01/09/26 to **31/08/29**	Crown Estates (from 16/09/24)	Director - CoreNet Global UK	RICS; CoreNet UK Chapter	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Adaku UFERE	Independent Member	01/10/23 to 31/08/26; 01/09/26 to **31/08/29**	Nil	Nil	Nigerian Bar Association; Chartered Institute of Arbitrators	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Donna LEITH	Governance Apprentice (in attendance)	01/09/25 to **31/08/26**	OFGEM	Nil	Member of Chartered Management Institute (CMI)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Sam CONNELL	Governance Apprentice (in attendance)	**01/09/26** to **31/08/27**	Current employer - Diageo, where I am a shareholder through employee share incentive schemes.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
EXTERNAL LAY MEMBERS OF COURT COMMITTEES									
Kevin D REYNARD	Independent Member of **Audit & Risk Committee**	01/11/22 - 31/10/25; 01/11/25 - **31/10/28**	No current employment. Former partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (retired June 2022)	Chair - Robert Gordons College; Trustee - Aberdeen Endowments Trust Director - Scottish Orienteering 6 Day Event Company Limited Chair - ARC of Scottish Swimming (not a Board Member)	ICAS	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

Duncan FRASER	Independent Member of **Finance and Resourcing Committee**	01/02/24 - **21/08/26**	Chief Operating Officer, Stronachs LLP	Chairperson, Scottish Football Benevolent Trust	Member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland (ICAS)	No	No	No	No
Sandy BATHO	Independent Member of **Governance & Nominations Ctte**; **Remuneration Committee**	01/04/24 - **31/03/27**	Nil	Trustee of the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland; Trustee of the Scottish Unionist Association	Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Personnel & Development (CIPD)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Stuart PORTEOUS	Independent Member of **Audit & Risk Committee**	01/04/24 - **31/03/27**	Chief Risk Officer, Castle Community Bank	Non Executive Director, Glasgow Clyde College	Nil	Director, Edinburgh Risk Consulting	Nil	Nil	Child studying at the University.
Shona L RUSSELL	Independent Member of **Remuneration Committee**	26/09/25 - **30/09/28**	John Lewis Partnership	Nil	Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil