



## Call for nominations to the AAT Users' Committee (AATUC)

**Applications close on Friday 21 May 2021, 5PM AWST. Late applications will not be accepted.**

On behalf of the Anglo-Australian Telescope (AAT) Council, Astronomy Australia Limited (AAL) seeks applications for the AAT Users' Committee. Four positions are available (one of which is reserved for a postgraduate student, and another reserved for an international applicant).

### About the AAT and AAL

Australia's largest optical telescope, the 3.9m AAT at Siding Spring Observatory, is operated using funding from a consortium of thirteen Australian universities ("the AAT Consortium"), and these operations are governed by the AAT Council. The telescope Operator for the Consortium is the Australian National University (ANU), with AAL playing the role of Manager of those operations on behalf of the AAT Consortium.

AAL is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee, whose members are all Australian universities and research organisations with significant astronomical research capability.

### Committee Description

#### AAT Users' Committee (AATUC)

The AATUC provides advice to the AAT Council and SSO Director on the operational and development issues relating to the AAT. AATUC meet twice a year via videoconferencing in February and August.

We are seeking four AATUC members with this call. One of these appointments will be reserved for a postgraduate student member, and another for an international member. The term of an AATUC member is generally for 3 years but may be staggered to ensure smooth turnover in membership. The AATUC student member is a one-year appointment. You can find the current membership of AATUC and their terms of office [here](#).

### Applications

If you consider yourself well placed to contribute to the AATUC via your expertise, ideas, and experience, please email [applications@astronomyaustralia.org.au](mailto:applications@astronomyaustralia.org.au) with a maximum three page application that includes:

- a covering letter describing your expertise relevant to the committee terms of reference
- a brief CV
- any relevant conflicts of interest.

AAL will review all applications and make recommendations to the AAT Council for formal appointment.

AAL is committed to equity and diversity and encourages applications from all interested candidates with the appropriate expertise and skills. AAL also endeavours to provide a flexible and supportive environment for its committee members. We offer general and case-specific support to those whose personal circumstances may otherwise limit their ability to participate in AAL's committees, including those with caring responsibilities and people living with disability. This support includes flexible travel allowances and enabling AAL's committee members to defer membership if required or participate in committee activities while on parental leave.

Please do not hesitate to contact AAL if you have any questions:

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