



Professor Clare Pollock

Interim Vice-Chancellor and President, Western Sydney University

Biography

Professor Clare Pollock is the Interim Vice-Chancellor and President at Western Sydney University.

Prior to her appointment as Interim Vice-Chancellor in April 2024, Professor Pollock held the role of Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor at Western Sydney University and was responsible for university strategy and transformation, the Provost and the twelve academic schools, The College, the Whitlam Institute, as well as the University legal, governance, assurance and risk functions.

Prior to joining Western Sydney University in June 2021, Professor Pollock held senior roles across a number of Australian universities, including as Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students) at Flinders University, and as Associate Provost, Chair of Academic Board and Head of the School of Psychology and Speech Pathology at Curtin University.

Professor Pollock's extensive expertise and achievements within her profession and in the higher education sector have been recognised through not only the various leadership roles she has held but also through her representation as a non-executive Director for several government, professional and community boards.

Originally from the United Kingdom, Professor Pollock graduated from Oxford University and the University of London with a PhD in Psychology. Her research career has focused on how psychology can be applied to improve safety, especially when it comes to people's use of technology.