

Citation for Anne Titterton
Honorary Fellow of the University

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Chancellor, it gives me great pleasure to present Anne Titterton to you for an Honorary Fellowship of the University in recognition of her exemplary generosity and determination to develop Sydney Uni Sport and Fitness for the benefit of the University and the wider community.

Anne was awarded a Bachelor of Arts and a Diploma of Education from the University of Sydney during which time she became a founding member of the Sydney University Women's Rowing Club, rowing out of Linley Point and serving as its first president for five years.

In 1969, she was the recipient of a University of Sydney Blue, one of the highest honours a sportsperson can receive in recognition of her outstanding achievements in competing at the highest level of sporting competition in her chosen sport of rowing. In 1995 she was awarded a University Gold in recognition of her outstanding and sustained service to Sydney University Sport. In 2000 she was awarded an Australian Sports Medal for her contribution to the sport of rowing in Australia.

Anne represented the university in Inter Varsity Competitions and represented NSW twice and Australia once. She has volunteered and competed continuously for the Women's Rowing Club, now the Boat Club, since 1967. In the 1990's, she became a founding member of the Boat Club Masters' program together with her husband Phil Titterton OAM, whom she first met while rowing for the University, and she still coordinated and rowed with the Masters' program until recently. In 1967 she joined Sydney University Women's Sports Association and in 1972 was the first appointed University Senate Representative. She continued in this role with the amalgamated SUSF until 2019.

In addition to her 50-plus years of service to University rowing, Anne has volunteered over 20 tireless years of her time and experience. Anne is an Honorary Life Member of both the Sydney Uni Women's Sports Association and Sydney University Sport & Fitness.

One of Anne's passions, while volunteering at the University, has been the design and implementation of strategies to improve participation opportunities for the students at the University taking a holistic approach to enriching the student experience. She has greatly assisted the Sydney University Sport & Fitness Management Committee in finding new ways to help every member enjoy sport and compete at national and international levels. More specifically, she was formative in developing a strategy that will support SUSF members and sports clubs; she strengthened SUSF's relationship with key stakeholders; and helped to plan infrastructure projects that will benefit generations-to-come at the University.

Philanthropy is another notable aspect of Anne's efforts over her last 50 years with the University. Anne has helped fund several sporting scholarships including the Bruce Ross Sporting Scholarship, the Robert Smithies Scholarship and the Rod Tubbs Australian Rules Football Scholarship which provide their recipients financial support, academic assistance and access to sports psychologists and facilities, thereby improving the recipient in body, mind and spirit.

Anne has also heavily supported the SUBC and SUSF infrastructure drives. The Tittertons have been generous donors to the construction of the Thyne Reid Boathouse in 2017 and to several capital campaigns including the Finishing Touches Fund for the SUSAC Extension in 2013 and the Building on Excellence Campaign for the new TAG Family Grandstand in 2015.

Over the last 20 years, Anne has attended almost every Annual Sports Awards and Blues dinner. Since her time as an athlete, she has also contributed as a volunteer on the Blues Committee and as an event coordinator at several Blues awards at which she has also assisted as an announcer.

The awarding of this Fellowship is in recognition of Anne's extraordinary support of the interests and welfare of the student experience and student athletes, and for her extraordinary dedication to improving access to and participation in sport and fitness at the University of Sydney.

Chancellor, I present Anne Titterton and invite you to confer the title of Honorary Fellow of the University upon her.