

Australian Association for Research in Education

Proposed Role Description: Policy and Advocacy Co-ordinator

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The Policy and Advocacy Co-ordinator is (initially) a co-opted member of the AARE Executive responsible for working closely with the President and the Communications Co-ordinator to oversee the Association's policy and advocacy activities.

In the first two years, the role will involve:

1. Developing an advocacy strategy for the Association, with the aim of establishing enhanced links between AARE and education policymakers at a national level.
2. Developing processes and procedures to support AARE to respond to education policy announcements and other relevant developments in a swift and agile fashion.
3. Working with the Blog Editor to ensure the smooth running of EduResearch Matters, and provide a conduit between the Blog Editor and the AARE Executive.
4. Providing a link between MCERA and AARE, with the aim of enhancing the ability of the Association and its members to work effectively with the mainstream media.
5. Exploring other pathways by which AARE members might collectively and individually impact education policy in Australia.

It is envisaged that an appointment would be made by co-option for an initial period of two to three years, with the possibility of the position being made an ongoing Executive role via a constitutional change at the conclusion of the initial period.