Professor Rorden Wilkinson has joined UNSW as the new Pro Vice-Chancellor Education and Student Experience (PVCE), and as a Professor of International Political Economy in the School of Social Sciences. He joins us from the University of Sussex, where he was Deputy Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education and Innovation and Professor of Global Political Economy. As the inaugural DPVC for Education and Innovation at Sussex, he was highly successful in driving curriculum reforms and enhancing learning and the student experience by taking advantage of new technologies and approaches to teaching.

A Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences and the Royal Society of Arts, Professor Wilkinson has a distinguished record of contributions to education, research, and knowledge exchange across the globe. He also has strong links to our region, having undertaken his doctorate at the University of Auckland and having been a visiting scholar at the Australian National University.

“Rorden arrives at a time when the Student Experience has been elevated as a new pillar in the Strategy 2025 update. We continue to strengthen our community of students and teachers, and to explore and adopt new strategies and technologies to improve learning”, says the DVCA Professor Merlin Crossley.

Professor Wilkinson has replaced Professor Alex Steel, who has been the Acting PVCE since March 2019.

“I would like to thank Professor Alex Steel for his many important contributions while acting in the role over the last twelve months and we are currently exploring the best way to ensure that Alex’s many talents and commitment to our students continues to be available to us”, adds Professor Crossley.
In this video, Professor Wilkinson shares his first impressions, thoughts on what attracted him to UNSW, and plans for his work in 2020 and beyond.

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