

Professoriate Policy



Definitions

Associate Professor -

Associate Professor title is an academic grade. There are two

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University of Law Teaching Fellow

This title recognises sustained and high-level performance in the fields of teaching and design in such a way as to amount to a significant contribution to the work of the University. The title is permanent during the employment by the University. Both permanent full-

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1 The title of Professor is conferred by the University of Law (the University) to give

Criteria for the conferment of Professorial title

3 The title of **Professor** may be conferred on individuals who are permanent full-time or part-time members of the academic staff of the University. Candidates must meet the minimum qualification requirements listed in the Academic Career Framework. Each candidate is judged against the following criteria which are not in any order of priority:

- 3.1 Outstanding qualities of leadership across contribution domains teaching; research scholarly and citizenship, which include education, academic development, professional training and development;
- 3.2 An outstanding record of innovation in a relevant field: education, legal practice, business, social sciences, psychology, criminology, policing, professional development or relevant fields;
- 3.3 An outstanding contribution to the furtherance of knowledge and its application through scholarship, research, publication, consultancy or professional practice;
- 3.4 An outstanding contribution to the development of the profession on a national or international basis. This may include high-level involvement in the work of professional, consultative and government bodies;
- 3.5 An outstanding contribution to the development and/or delivery of the Plan and enhancement of the student experience.

4 Candidates must be able to satisfy at least **two** of the above criteria. Actual achievement and not future promise must be demonstrated.

Appointment to the Professoriate

5 *Procedure*

5.1 Promotion to Associate Professor level is governed by the [University of Law Promotion policy](#).

5.2 Conferment of the University of Law Teaching Fellow title is governed by the [University of Law Fellowship policy](#).

5.3 Applications for conferment of the title **Professor** shall be dealt with on a bi-annual basis by the Professorial Appointments Committee of the Academic Board. Staff wishing to be considered for the title must submit an application by email to academic.registry@law.ac.uk by the end of September or March each year.

5.4 Nominations for Emeritus and Visiting Professors may be made at any

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time.

5.5 The application shall consist of the following:

5.5.1 a statement which outlines their candidacy against the criteria authored using the templates provided. Candidates are

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the following:

- 6.2.1 The Vice-Chancellor of the University (Chair)
- 6.2.2 Internal members: two or more current University professors
- 6.2.3 External members: one or more external advisors, each of whom must hold professorial status
- 6.2.4 Academic Registrar and/or Deputy Academic Registrar
- 6.2.5 For the Professorial Appointments Sub-Committee: one

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7.2 If the candidate does not hold a professorial title at

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