

Honorary Awards Joint Committee Terms of Reference

1. Constitution

1.1 The Board of Governors and the Academic Board have established a joint committee known as the Honorary Awards Joint Committee.

2. Definitions

2.1 Honorary awards in these terms of reference means Honorary Doctor of the University (DUniv)-and Honorary Fellowships. Honorary Doctor of the University (DUniv) and Honorary Fellowships are defined in the criteria and procedures as approved by the Academic Board.

3. Membership

3.1 Membership shall consist of up to 3 independent governors including the Chair of the Board; up to two Academic Board staff governors; the President of the Students' Union and up to one other Student Union officer; the Vice Chancellor; the Provost (Chair of Academic Board); and the Group Secretary.

3.2 The independent governor members shall be selected by the Board of Governors

3.3 A quorum shall consist of at least 2 governors, one of whom should be an independent governor.

3.4 The chair shall be a member of the Board of Governors. The chair can be an independent, staff or student governor.

3.5 The committee may, if it considers it necessary or desirable, co-opt members with particular expertise.

4. Attendance at meetings

4.1 The Director of Corporate Affairs and the Head of Alumni and Development shall normally attend meetings.

5. Frequency of meetings

5.1 Meetings shall normally be held once each year.

6. Authority

6.1 The Committee has delegated authority from the Board of Governors to select recipients for the conferment of honorary awards based on procedures and criteria as approved by the Academic Board.

7. Secretary

7.1 The secretary to the Honorary Awards Joint Committee will be the Clerk to the Board or other appropriate person nominated by the Clerk.

8. Duties

8.1 The duties of the committee shall be to consider nominations received in accordance with procedures laid down by the Academic Board for the award of honorary awards.

8.2 The committee shall ensure that the nominations process is fair, giving due regard to the equality and diversity of the shortlisted candidates.

9. Reporting Procedures

9.1 The Committee shall report to the Board of Governors and the Academic Board its decisions regarding selection of recipients for conferment of Honorary Awards.

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