

Fellows

Part 1 - The Fellows, including the Senior Fellows

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| Establishment | 1. | (1) The Fellows are established pursuant to the Principal Enactments as members of the Body Corporate, and seven of their number shall be co-opted as Senior Fellows. |
| Essential Elements of Fellowship | 2. | (1) Election to Fellowship is an academic honour and distinction grounded in the core values and intrinsic purpose of College, and, subject to the Chapter on Board, Fellows play a major role in its general life and governance.
(2) The office of Fellow is a full-time one.
(3) Pursuant to the Chapter on Officers, Annual Statutory Officers shall annually be elected by Board from amongst the Fellows. |
| Responsibilities of the Fellows | 3. | (1) Fellows
(a) respect and maintain the academic interests and traditions of the College,
(b) preserve and promote the academic values of scholarship, research and teaching in College,
(c) sustain and safeguard the fundamental principles of academic pre-eminence and academic freedom, and
(d) scrutinise and comment upon major College and University matters. |
| Rights of the Fellows | 4. | (1) The Fellows shall be invited to grant their Assent to
(a) any petition to amend the constitution of the Body Corporate,
(b) any Ordinance to amend, alter or add to the Statutes,
(c) the election of new Fellows and new Honorary Fellows, and
(d) the termination of tenure of an Honorary Fellowship.
(2) Such Assents shall be signified in writing and shall be taken according to the procedures laid down pursuant to the Chapter on the Body Corporate and Schedules 2, 3 and 4 to this Chapter, as the case may be.
(3) The Fellows shall elect members of Board, pursuant to the Chapter on Board.
(4) The Provost shall chair the Honorary Fellowship Committee and the Central Fellowship Committee; and the Fellows shall elect all of the other members of the Honorary Fellowship Committee and a majority of the other members of the Central Fellowship Committee.
(5) The Fellows shall be entitled to be informed and to be |

heard upon major College and University matters.

Rights of a
Fellow

5. (1) Each Fellow shall have the right to
- (a) be afforded adequate opportunity for academic endeavour, so far as possible;
 - (b) reasonable access to information concerning major College and University matters;
 - (c) participate in the exercise of the functions of the Fellows;
 - (d) Commons, pursuant to the Chapter on the College Community;
 - (e) be accorded appropriate office accommodation, having regard to the exigencies of space in the College; and
 - (f) reside in College, subject to any reasonable rent set by Board.

Duties of a
Fellow

6. (1) Each Fellow shall
- (a) comply with the terms of the Declaration taken upon admission to Fellowship;
 - (b) uphold the Charters, Letters Patent, the Act of 2000, and the Statutes;
 - (c) conscientiously participate in the exercise of the responsibilities and rights of the Fellows;
 - (d) take an informed and active interest in the general life and governance of College;
 - (e) seek to ensure that academic values are pre-eminent in the life and workings of College;
 - (f) defend the principles of academic freedom and tenure (as defined in the Chapter on Academic Staff);
 - (g) engage in academic endeavour, keep abreast of advances in knowledge, carry out research and contribute to scholarship;
 - (h) seek to teach in the context of research, and vice versa,
 - (i) participate regularly in the Fellows' affairs, and in particular where possible attend Fellows' meetings and dine on Commons;
 - (j) diligently consider Assent forms;
 - (k) play an appropriate part in the administrative and social life of the College, including participating in activities undertaken to enhance the experience of the students in College;
 - (l) consider becoming a member of Senate, if not already a Master or Doctor of the University;
 - (m) undertake service to the wider community, where appropriate;
 - (n) accept the invitation of the Provost to serve as an Officer, unless there is good and sufficient reason to

- decline; and
- (o) act in accordance with applicable College regulations.

Elections

7. (1) Board, after consultation with the Fellows, shall have the right to determine, subject to the provisions of the Statutes, the qualifications, duties and conditions of tenure for Fellowship.
- (2) In the general interest of College, to further the academic life of College, to foster scholarship, research and teaching, and to support the governance of College, Board shall annually arrange for and conduct the process of election to Fellowship.
- (3) Board shall ensure that the total number of Fellows (including Senior Fellows, but excluding Honorary Fellows and Fellows *Emeriti*) shall not be allowed to fall permanently below thirty-six.
- (4) Fellows may be elected from any of the following categories of full-time staff of College:
 - (a) members of academic staff, on the grounds of distinction in research and scholarship as shown primarily by published work, academic promise and contribution to College life, and
 - (b) Professors appointed prior to commencement of the academic year in which they are proposed for election.
- (5) To be eligible for election to Fellowship, or to be so elected, a candidate must in the opinion of Board be of good conduct and character and capable of performing the functions of Fellowship.
- (6) When considering an election under this section, Board shall be advised by the Central Fellowship Committee, which makes recommendations to Board in this respect; the procedures to be followed by the Committee shall be approved by Board and published by the Committee; and candidates for Fellowship shall supply to the Committee such information as it may require.
- (7) (a) If Board decides to propose candidates for election to Fellowship, it shall seek the Assent of the Fellows to such election pursuant to section 4 and Schedule 3.
 - (b) No candidate proposed under subsection 4(a) who has received the Assent of fewer than three-fifths of the Fellows shall be elected to Fellowship.
 - (c) No candidate proposed under subsection 4(b) who has received the Assent of fewer than one half of the Fellows shall be elected to Fellowship.
- (8) (a) If elections are necessary in any year, they shall take place at a meeting of Board, which shall be

held, if convenient, in the Public Theatre on Trinity Monday.

(b) At that meeting, the members of Board shall make a Declaration in the form specified by the Schedule on Declarations, the names of the candidates shall be read aloud by the Senior Lecturer, the Chancellor's certificate relating to the Fellows' Assents shall be read aloud by the Provost, and Board shall proceed to the election, whereupon the members shall sign the roll of newly-elected Fellows.

(c) Any member of Board who, after due enquiry, is convicted before Board of having voted for a candidate under the influence of a bribe shall be expelled from Board and College.

(9) If, at that meeting, Board has made an election to Fellowship, section 1 of Schedule 1 shall apply.

(10) Every person who has been so elected shall be admitted to Fellowship by the Provost after making a Declaration in the form specified by the Schedule on Declarations, and any person who refuses to make this prescribed Declaration shall not be admitted to Fellowship.

(11) The seniority of newly elected Fellows (if more than one in number) shall be fixed according to the order of their election as determined by Board.

(12) Fellows may also, for sufficiently grave reasons, be elected by Board at other times during the academic year, and subsection (7) shall apply.

Termination

8. (1) (a) The tenure of any Fellowship shall terminate where a Fellow ceases to be a full-time member of the academic staff, or dies, or resigns from Fellowship by giving not less than three months' notice in writing to Board.
- (b) A Fellow who has given such notice in writing may, by further notice in writing to Board, withdraw a resignation which has not already been accepted by Board.
- (2) Board may, after due enquiry, terminate the Fellowship of any Fellow who
- (a) has become permanently incapable of performing the functions of office, or
- (b) has been persistently negligent or inefficient in the discharge of the duties of Fellowship.

Senior Fellows

9. (1) Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the number of the Senior Fellows, the Provost shall summon the remaining Senior Fellows to a meeting at the earliest possible date on which a majority of them can be present, for

- the purpose of co-opting a Fellow to fill the vacancy.
- (2) The Provost shall propose the name of the most senior of the Fellows other than the Senior Fellows, unless the said Fellow shall have indicated to the Provost unwillingness to be co-opted, in which case the Provost shall propose the next Fellow in seniority.
 - (3) If deemed worthy of co-optation by the majority of those present, the Fellow so proposed shall thereupon be co-opted as a Senior Fellow.
 - (4) If not, the Provost shall propose the name of the next Fellow in seniority and so on until a Fellow is deemed worthy of co-optation by the majority of those present, and the Fellow so proposed shall thereupon be co-opted as a Senior Fellow.
 - (5) The Fellows shall seek to ensure that the Senior Fellows are offered the opportunity for one of their number to serve on committees relating to Fellowship, such as the Central Fellowship Committee and the Honorary Fellowship Committee.
 - (6) The seniority of the Senior Fellows shall be fixed according to the order of their co-option.
 - (7) The tenure of any Senior Fellowship shall terminate in like manner as Fellowship.

Part 2 - Fellows Emeriti and Honorary Fellows

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| Fellows <i>Emeriti</i> | <p>10. (1) A Fellow who has retired shall be styled a Fellow <i>Emeritus</i>.</p> <p>(2) The seniority of Fellows <i>Emeriti</i> shall be fixed according to the order of their prior election to Fellowship.</p> <p>(3) The tenure of any Fellowship <i>Emeritus</i> shall terminate where a Fellow <i>Emeritus</i> dies, or resigns in like manner as a Fellow.</p> |
| Honorary Fellows | <p>11. (1) Board may elect, as Honorary Fellows, persons of academic distinction who</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) are of exceptional intellectual calibre, (b) have a strong association with College, and (c) will contribute to the life of College. <p>(2) When considering an election under this section, Board shall be advised by the Honorary Fellowship Committee which makes recommendations to Board in this respect; and nominators of candidates for Honorary Fellowship shall supply to the Committee such information as it may require.</p> <p>(3) If Board decides to propose candidates for election to Honorary Fellowship, it shall seek the Assent of the Fellows to such election pursuant to section 4 and</p> |

Schedule 3, and no candidate who has received the Assent of fewer than three-fifths of the Fellows shall be elected to Honorary Fellowship.

- (4) Elections to Honorary Fellowship shall take place at the meeting of Board at which the annual elections to Fellowship take place, and shall so far as possible follow the same procedure and be announced in the same way.
- (5) The seniority of newly-elected Honorary Fellows (if more than one in number) shall be fixed according to the order of their election as determined by Board.
- (6) Honorary Fellows may also, for sufficiently grave reasons, be elected by Board at other times during the academic year, and sub-section (3) shall apply.
- (7) The tenure of any Honorary Fellowship shall terminate where an Honorary Fellow dies, or resigns in like manner as a Fellow.
- (8) Board may, with the Assent in writing of a majority of the Fellows, terminate the tenure of any Honorary Fellowship.

Benefits

12. (1) Fellows *Emeriti* and Honorary Fellows shall be entitled to be treated as Fellows in so far as it is possible having regard to the Principal Enactments and the Statutes.
- (2) In particular, they shall be entitled to Commons pursuant to the Chapter on the College Community and to enjoy such privileges and advantages as Board may from time to time determine.

Restrictions

13. (1) Fellows *Emeriti* and Honorary Fellows shall not, by virtue of such Fellowship alone
 - (a) be included in the number of the Fellows for the purposes of the Charters or Letters Patent, the Act of 2000, or Part 1 of this Chapter;
 - (b) have any vote, power, or authority in the College or University,
 - (c) be entitled to a share in any dividend, or
 - (d) be eligible for any emoluments in the College or University;provided that this section does not affect rights or privileges in the College or University to which Fellows *Emeriti* and Honorary Fellows would otherwise be entitled.

Part 3 - Additional Matters

Organisation

14. (1) The Fellows meet as regularly as necessary, and determine their own procedures for such meetings.
- (2) A standing committee may assist the Fellows in the performance of their functions, and may represent

them and otherwise act on their behalf between meetings; in particular, any such committee may convey the views of the Fellows to the Provost, the Officers, appropriate committees and other bodies, and to the Community generally.

Reservation

15. (1) For the avoidance of doubt, the operation of section 2 of the Introductory Chapter means that no provision of these Statutes shall adversely affect any statutory right of any Fellow, which had accrued before the commencement of the Statutes.