

Policy

BESTOWAL OF THE TITLE PROFESSOR EMERITUS/
EMERITA POLICY

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Vice-President, Academic and Provost

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1.0 BACKGROUND

The University of Northern British Columbia awards the honorary title "Professor Emeritus/Emerita of [discipline]" to retiring faculty members who have given exceptional service to the University and to the larger academic community.

2.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to set out the criteria for the title Professor Emeritus/Emerita.

3.0 PRINCIPLES

The title Professor Emeritus/Emerita is for exceptional service to the University and the larger academic community.

4.0 SCOPE

This policy applies to retiring UNBC faculty who held tenured appointments, normally at the rank of full professor.

5.0 DEFINITIONS

Professor Emeritus/Emerita is an honorary title granted to a faculty member who retires from a position of distinction at UNBC.

6.0 POLICY

- 6.1 The title Professor Emeritus/Emerita enables continued affiliation with UNBC upon retirement and is without remuneration.
- 6.2 Through a selective process, the title Professor Emeritus/Emerita is awarded to faculty members who have distinguished themselves per the following criteria:
 - 6.2.1. Normally hold the rank of full professor;
 - 6.2.2. Have a reputation as a scholar, in research and publication, which gives them international status, and have served on national or international committees and boards in the appropriate



- discipline. The nominee's scholarly work has advanced their discipline at the national and/or international level.
- 6.2.3. Have a successful record as a teacher and contributed fully to the University through service on committees and otherwise.
- 6.3 Affiliate Faculty in the Division of Medical Sciences at UNBC may be considered for the title Professor Emeritus/Emerita based on their current relationship and continued affiliation with UNBC upon retirement.
- 6.4 In exceptional circumstances, Senate may entertain a motion to rescind a Title Professor Emeritus/Emerita. Such a motion would require two thirds support of Senate to be passed.

7.0 REPORTING

None

8.0 AUTHORITIES AND OFFICERS

The authorities and officers for this policy are as follows:

Approving Authority: Senate

Designated Executive Officer: Vice-President, Academic and Provost

Procedural Authority: Senate

Procedural Officer: Vice-President, Academic and Provost

9.0 RELEVANT LEGISLATION

BC University Act

10.0 RELATED POLICIES AND OTHER ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- 10.1 Affiliate Faculty Appointments Policy
- 10.2 Retired UNBC Faculty Access to Services and Resources Procedures