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Council and Main Committees

General Purposes Committee of Council

The General Purposes Committee of Council has made the following changes to regulations, to come into effect on **13 November**, unless notice of a resolution calling upon Council to annul or amend the regulation is received by the Registrar by **noon on 9 November** (as set out in Statute VI: Council).

(a) Hoffmann and Action Medical Research Professor in Developmental Medicine

Explanatory Note

The following changes have been made to change the name of the fund and the professorship to better reflect the contemporary scope and activities of the Department of Paediatrics and align the title of the professorship with the department's academic structure and strategic objectives. Numbers are also being written as numerals rather than words, in line with Oxford style guidance.

Text of Regulations

In Council Regulations 24 of 2002, concerning Regulations for Academic and Other Posts, amend the regulations for the Hoffmann and Action Medical Professor in Development Medicine as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

'**Hoffmann and Action Medical Research Professor ~~in Developmental Medicine~~of Paediatrics**

1. The University receives with gratitude the generous donations from Mr André Hoffmann and from Action Medical Research (formerly known as the National Fund for Research into Crippling Diseases) to be held as permanent endowment on the trusts declared in this regulation. Further money or property may be paid or transferred to the University as either expendable or permanent endowment to be held on the same trusts. The assets so held will be known as the Hoffmann and Action Medical Research Professorship ~~in Developmental Medicine~~of Paediatrics Fund ("the Fund").

2. The University shall retain as permanent endowment those of the assets in the Fund which are contributed on the express understanding that they are to be treated as permanent endowment ("the Permanent Endowment").

3. The University shall (a) apply the income of the Permanent Endowment; and (b) apply the income and, in its discretion, the capital of the remainder of the Fund, towards the salary and expenses of ~~the holder of the Hoffmann and Action Medical Research~~a Professorship of Paediatrics~~Developmental Medicine~~ ("the Professor") and associated overheads.

4. The Professor shall undertake research, lecture and give instruction in ~~Developmental Medicine~~Paediatrics. If the salary, expenses and overheads of the Professor are wholly or partly covered from other sources or there are further funds available, there shall be discretion to apply the income and/or capital of the Fund to support the Professor's research, or other academic activity in the field of ~~Developmental Medicine~~Paediatrics.

~~4~~5. The administration of the Fund, and the application of its income, shall be the responsibility of the Medical Sciences Board.

~~5~~6. The professor shall be elected by a board of electors consisting of:

(1) the Vice-Chancellor, or, if the Principal of Jesus College is Vice- Chancellor, a person appointed by Council on the occurrence of a vacancy to act as an elector on that occasion;

(2) the Principal of Jesus College, or, if the Principal is unable or unwilling to act, a person appointed by the Governing Body of Jesus College on the occurrence of a vacancy to act as an elector on that occasion;

(3) a person appointed by the Governing Body of Jesus College;

(4), (5) 2~~two~~ persons appointed by Council;

(6)–(9) 4~~four~~ persons appointed by the Medical Sciences Divisional Board;

(10) a person holding a clinical appointment appointed by the relevant NHS body with which the post-holder will hold an honorary contract.

~~6~~7. The Professor shall be subject to the General Provisions of the regulations concerning the duties of professors and to those Particular Provisions of the same regulations which are applicable to this chair.

~~7~~8. The University accepts with gratitude from Action Medical Research (formerly known as the National Fund for Research into Crippling Diseases) the sum of £60,000 to form a fund, the income from which shall be applied to purposes of the Department of Paediatrics under the direction of the Professor ("the Support Fund").

~~8~~ 9. The University may in its absolute discretion in the period ending 21 years from the date of this regulation, instead of applying the income of the Fund or the Support Fund in any year, accumulate all or any part of such income by investing it, and holding it as part of the capital of the Fund or the Support Fund (as the case may be). The University may apply the whole or any part of such accumulated income in any subsequent year as if it were income of the Fund or the Support Fund (as the case may be) arising in the then current year.

~~9~~ 10. The University shall have power to pay out of the capital or the income of the Fund or the Support Fund all costs of and incidental to the creation of the Fund or the Support Fund (as the case may be), and the management and administration of the Fund or the Support Fund and the Professorship.

~~10~~ 11. The University may exercise any of its corporate powers in the management and administration of the Fund and the Support Fund in so far as those powers are not inconsistent with these regulations.

~~11~~ 12. Regulations 1–~~4~~5 and 7–~~13~~14 shall be deemed to be Trust Regulations under the provisions of Part D of Statute XVI.

~~12~~ 13. Subject to regulation ~~13~~14, Council may amend, repeal or add to these regulations in accordance with Part D of Statute XVI, but no amendment is valid if it would cause the Fund or the Support Fund to:

(1) cease to be exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales; or

(2) be outside the objects of the University.

~~13~~14. Any amendment to the main objects of the Fund or the Support Fund for the purposes of Part D of Statute XVI must be approved both by Congregation of the University and subsequently by His Majesty in Council.'

(b) May Professor of Medicine

Explanatory Note

The following changes have been made to clarify the role, update the membership of the electoral board, and replace outdated references. Numbers are also being written as numerals rather than words, in line with Oxford style guidance.

Text of Regulations

In Council Regulations 24 of 2002, concerning Academic and Other Posts, amend the regulations for the May Professorship of Medicine as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

'1. The May Professor of Medicine shall ~~engage in advanced study and~~undertake research, lecture and give instruction in clinical medicine~~and shall, under the direction of the Nuffield Professor of Clinical Medicine, assist in the preparation of candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine~~.

2. The professor shall be elected by an electoral board consisting of:

(1) the Vice-Chancellor~~, or, if the head of the college specified in (2) of this clause is Vice-Chancellor, a person appointed by Council~~;

(2) the head of the college to which the professorship ~~shall be for the time being~~may be allocated by Council from time to time ~~under any decree in that behalf~~, or, if the head is unable or unwilling to act, a person appointed by the governing body of ~~the~~that college;

(3) a person appointed by the governing body of the college specified in (2) of this clause;

(4), (5) ~~a~~2 persons appointed by Council;

~~(5),~~ (6) ~~–(9) two~~4 persons appointed by the Medical Sciences Board~~General Board~~;

~~(7) the Nuffield Professor of Clinical Medicine;~~

~~(8), (9) two persons appointed by the Board of the Faculty of Clinical Medicine;~~

(10) a person holding a clinical appointment appointed by the relevant NHS body with which the post-holder will hold an honorary contract ~~Oxfordshire Health Authority~~;

3. At least ~~three~~3 members of the board, of whom one shall be a professor, shall hold clinical appointments.

~~3. The professor shall hold qualifications entitling him or her to be registered with the General Medical Council as a medical practitioner.~~

4. The income of the endowment fund shall be applied towards the stipend and superannuation of the professor.

~~5. The professor shall be subject to the General Provisions of the decree concerning the duties of professors and to those Particular Provisions of the same decree which are applicable to this chair.~~'

(c) Dunn School Centenary Scholarships Fund

Explanatory Note

These new regulations are made to formalise the trust created by the receipt of the gifts.

Text of Regulations

In Council Regulations 25 of 2002, concerning Trusts, insert:

'**Dunn School Centenary Scholarships Fund**

1. The University receives with gratitude an initial gift from the Edward Penley Abraham Research Fund, together with gifts received from other donors to be held as expendable endowment on the trusts declared in this regulation. Further money or property may be paid or transferred to the University as either expendable or permanent endowment to be held on the same trusts. The assets so held will be known as the Dunn School Centenary Scholarships Fund ("the Fund").

2. The University shall retain as permanent endowment those of the assets in the Fund (if any) which are contributed on the express understanding that they are to be treated as permanent endowment ("the Permanent Endowment").

3. The University shall (a) apply the income of the Permanent Endowment (if any); and (b) apply the income and, in its discretion, the capital of the remainder of the Fund, towards supporting scholarships.

4. The scholarships shall be known as the Dunn School Centenary Scholarships, and shall be available to graduate students demonstrating exceptional academic merit and/or potential commencing a course of study at the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology.

5. The administration of the Fund, and the application of its income, shall be the responsibility of the Medical Sciences Board.

6. The University may in its absolute discretion in the period ending 6 May 2047, instead of applying the income of the Fund in any year, accumulate all or any part of such income by investing it, and holding it as part of the capital. The University may apply the whole or any part of such accumulated income in any subsequent year as if it were income of the Fund arising in the then current year.

7. The University shall have power to pay out of the capital or the income of the Fund all costs of and incidental to the creation of the Fund, and the management and administration of the Fund.

8. The University may exercise any of its corporate powers in the management and administration of the Fund in so far as those powers are not inconsistent with these regulations.

9. These regulations shall be deemed to be Trust Regulations under the provisions of Part D of Statute XVI.

10. Subject to regulation 11, Council may amend, repeal or add to these regulations in accordance with Part D of Statute XVI, but no amendment is valid if it would cause the Fund to:

(1) cease to be exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales; or

(2) be outside the objects of the University.

11. Any amendment to the main object(s) as set out in regulation 3, must be approved both by Congregation of the University and subsequently by His Majesty in Council.'

(d) Horticulture Apprenticeship Fund

Explanatory Note

These new regulations are made to formalise the trust created by the receipt of the gift from Anna Nasmyth.

Text of Regulations

In Council Regulations 25 of 2002, concerning Trusts, insert:

'**Horticulture Apprenticeship Fund**

1. The University receives with gratitude a gift from Anna Nasmyth to be held as expendable endowment on the trusts declared in this regulation. Further money or property may be paid or transferred to the University as either expendable or permanent endowment to be held on the same trusts. The assets so held will be known as the Horticulture Apprenticeship Fund ("the Fund").

2. The University shall retain as permanent endowment those of the assets in the Fund (if any) which are contributed on the express understanding that they are to be treated as permanent endowment ("the Permanent Endowment").

3. The University shall (a) apply the income of the Permanent Endowment (if any); and (b) apply the

income and, in its discretion, the capital of the remainder of the Fund, towards supporting an apprenticeship in Horticulture.

4. The administration of the Fund, and the application of its income, shall be the responsibility of the Gardens, Libraries and Museums Board.

5. The University shall have power to pay out of the capital or the income of the Fund all costs of and incidental to the creation of the Fund, and the management and administration of the Fund.

6. The University may exercise any of its corporate powers in the management and administration of the Fund in so far as those powers are not inconsistent with these regulations.

7. These regulations shall be deemed to be Trust Regulations under the provisions of Part D of Statute XVI.

8. Subject to regulation 9, Council may amend, repeal or add to these regulations in accordance with Part D of Statute XVI, but no amendment is valid if it would cause the Fund to:

(1) cease to be exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales; or

(2) be outside the objects of the University.

9. Any amendment to the main object(s) as set out in regulation 3, must be approved both by Congregation of the University and subsequently by His Majesty in Council.'

(e) Sherardian Bequest

Explanatory Note

The following changes have been made to reflect the relocation of the Sherardian Library's collections to the Bodleian Library, and changes to the custody of the books, dried plants, fruits and seeds.

Text of Regulations

In Council Regulations 25 of 2002, concerning Trusts, amend the regulations for the Sherardian Bequest as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

'~~The University shall maintain a library in which the bequest of books, dried plants, fruits, and seeds received by it under the will of Dr William Sherard, who died in 1728, are kept under the custody of the Sherardian Professor of Botany.~~The University shall maintain a library and herbarium in which the bequest of books, dried plants, fruits, and seeds received by it under the will of Dr William Sherard, who died in 1728, is housed; the books shall be under the custody of Bodley's Librarian, and the dried plants, fruits, and seeds shall be under the custody of the Druce Curator, Oxford University Herbaria.'

(f) Siedentop Lecture Series in European Intellectual History Fund

Explanatory Note

These new regulations are made to formalise the trust created by the receipt of the legacy gift from Larry Siedentop.

Text of Regulations

In Council Regulations 25 of 2002, concerning Trusts, insert:

'**Siedentop Lecture Series in European Intellectual History Fund**

1. The University receives with gratitude a legacy gift from Larry Siedentop to be held as expendable endowment on the trusts declared in this regulation. Further money or property may be paid or transferred to the University as either expendable or permanent endowment to be held on the same trusts. The assets so held will be known as the Siedentop Lecture Series in European Intellectual History Fund ("the Fund").

2. The University shall retain as permanent endowment those of the assets in the Fund (if any) which are contributed on the express understanding that they are to be treated as permanent endowment ("the Permanent Endowment").

3. The University shall (a) apply the income of the Permanent Endowment (if any); and (b) apply the income and, in its discretion, the capital of the remainder of the Fund, towards supporting lectures in European Intellectual History.

4. The administration of the Fund, and the application of its income, shall be the responsibility of the Humanities Board.

5. The University shall have power to pay out of the capital or the income of the Fund all costs of and incidental to the creation of the Fund, and the management and administration of the Fund.

6. The University may exercise any of its corporate powers in the management and administration of the Fund in so far as those powers are not inconsistent with these regulations.

7. These regulations shall be deemed to be Trust Regulations under the provisions of Part D of Statute XVI.

8. Subject to regulation 9, Council may amend, repeal or add to these regulations in accordance with Part D of Statute XVI, but no amendment is valid if it would cause the Fund to:

(1) cease to be exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales; or

(2) be outside the objects of the University.

9. Any amendment to the main object(s) as set out in regulation 3, must be approved both by Congregation of the University and subsequently by His Majesty in Council.'

Congregation 26 October

Degree by Resolution

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Council of the University

Register of Congregation

The Vice-Chancellor reports that the following names have been added to the Register of Congregation:

Reem Abou-El-Fadl, Trinity
Ali Amini, Nuffield Department of Medicine
Wim Decock, All Souls
Joscha Henheik, Lincoln
Robert Hopkins, All Souls
Marnie Howlett, St Antony's
Iain Lockey, Saïd Business School
Yuya Mizuno, Department of Psychiatry
Laura-Jane Ryves, Development and Alumni Engagement
Lesley Wylie, All Souls

Divisional and Faculty Boards

For changes to regulations for examinations see 'Changes to Examination Regulations' below.

Congregation

Congregation 2 November

Degree by Resolution

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Congregation 17 November

The following resolution will be deemed to be approved at **noon on 17 November** unless by that time the Registrar has received notice in writing from 2 or more members of Congregation that they wish the resolution to be put to a meeting of Congregation.

Voting on a Resolution authorising the allocation of space in Trinity House, Oxford Business Park, to the Oxford Vaccine Group

Explanatory Note

As required by section 4 of Statute XVI, approval of this resolution is requested because of the size of the proposed space allocation.

The Oxford Vaccine Group (OVG), part of the Department of Paediatrics, currently occupies accommodation across a number of University buildings and requires additional space to support and consolidate its growing research activity. As its requirements cannot be accommodated within the existing functional estate, the University proposes to take a lease within Trinity House, Oxford Business Park, with approximately 2,804 sqm net usable area proposed for allocation to OVG, providing purpose-designed laboratory, clinical and office accommodation. The relocation will support OVG's expanding portfolio of externally funded high-impact research and strategic partnerships. Allocation is sought for a period of approximately 15 years, aligned with the term of the proposed lease, during which the University will seek to identify a longer-term solution for OVG within its functional estate.

Text of Resolution

That approximately 2,804 sqm net usable area within Trinity House, John Smith Drive, Oxford Business Park, (building 949) be allocated to the Oxford Vaccine Group, part of the Department of Paediatrics, for a period of approximately 15 years, commencing and aligning with the term of the lease, anticipated to commence July 2027.

Meeting arrangements

Members of Congregation are reminded that any 2 members may, not later than **noon on Monday 9 November,** give notice in writing to the Registrar that they wish to oppose the resolution above (see note on the conduct of business in Congregation below). If no such notice has been given, and unless Council has declared otherwise or the meeting has been adjourned, the business shall be declared carried, and the meeting may be cancelled.

Congregation 26 November

Elections

CONGREGATION ELECTIONS

- Statute XII Pool for Constituting Panels (UAS)

Details are in 'Elections' section below.

Note on procedures in Congregation

Business in Congregation is conducted in accordance with Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002.

A printout of these regulations, or of any statute or other regulations, is available from the Council Secretariat on request. A member of Congregation seeking advice on questions relating to its procedures, other than elections, should contact Louise Hasler, Council Secretariat, University Offices, Wellington Square; questions relating to elections should be directed to the Elections Office.

Notices

Consultative Notices

Call for nominations for Honorary Degrees and for Degrees by Diploma

The Committee on Honorary Degrees is seeking honorary degree nominations. Nominations can be made by current members of staff and students via the online nomination form. When considering possible honorands, the Honorary Degrees Committee will focus on individuals:

- of high academic distinction in the fields of research and scholarship of specific interest to the University of Oxford;
- distinguished in the visual, literary, musical and performing arts or in sports;
- distinguished in business and industry; who have played a distinguished role in public life, for example in contributing to progress and change in society;
- who have made a significant contribution to the activities of the University of Oxford – such individuals would normally also fall into one of the categories above.

Within those categories, the Honorary Degrees Committee will aim to produce a balanced list, which takes account of the global dimension that characterises this University's activities.

When a degree is conferred upon a royal personage or upon the head of a foreign state it will be conferred by diploma.

The Honorary Degrees Committee has adopted a target that half of the final list of names proposed for the conferment of honorary degrees be women and/or from minoritised groups. Nominators are therefore encouraged to propose individuals of conspicuous distinction with particular reference to diversity.

Honorary degrees will not be conferred on anyone who holds, or who has retired from, a resident teaching, research or administrative post within the University or in any college or other society, except in exceptional circumstances such as distinguished service outside the terms of his or her paid service.

While informal soundings within the University will often be desirable, every effort should be made to ensure that publicity is not at any stage given to any specific proposal for the conferral of an honorary degree. All nominations will be considered in strict confidence by the committee.

Further information is available on the Governance website. A list of previous recipients is available on the committee's website (SSO required).

Nominations received by the first deadline (**11 December 2026**) will be shared with the relevant divisional board and its views will be passed on to the committee. Nominations received by the second deadline (**22 February 2027**) will be shared with the committee but without the benefit of divisional input.

Nominations received after the second deadline will need to be considered in the next cycle. Nominations are kept under consideration by the committee for 3 years (the year of nomination, plus 2 years) so only need to be resubmitted if there has been a significant change in the case for the nomination.

Appointments

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences

CONFERRALS OF TITLE

The Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Board has conferred the title of Associate Professor on the following:

Paul Bagot, Department of Materials
Abhirup Banerjee, Department of Engineering Science
Luke Doherty, Department of Engineering Science
Frances Dunn, Oxford University Museum of Natural History and Department of Earth Sciences
Philipp Grunewald, Department of Engineering Science
Cait Newport, Department of Biology
Christian Schroeder de Witt, Department of Engineering Science
Irem Sepil, Department of Biology
Christoph Treiber, Department of Biology
Jack Umenberger, Department of Engineering Science
Aprajita Verma, Department of Physics

Visiting Professorships

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences

RECONFERRALS

David Keen, DPhil Oxf, Individual Merit Senior Research Scientist, ISIS Facility, STFC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory; Visiting Professor in Physics, Department of Physics, for a further period of 3 years from 1 November 2026

Lectures

Social Sciences

Department of Social Policy and Intervention

SIDNEY BALL MEMORIAL LECTURE

Professor Sylvia Walby, RHUL, will give the Sidney Ball Memorial Lecture at 5pm on 6 November at St John's.
Subject: 'What is violence? How should it be measured? What are the implications for policy to halve violence against women and girls in ten years?'

Colleges, Halls and Societies

Kellogg

The following events will take place at 5.30pm on Wednesdays in the Hub. Free; registration advised.

KELLOGG CONVERSATIONS SERIES

Rebecca Skippage, AI and disinformation expert and former Global Disinformation Editor, BBC; **Professor Adam Kucharski**, LSHTM; and **Katy Barrow-Grint**, Deputy Chief Constable, Gloucestershire Constabulary. Chair: Professor Prasad Vana
4 Nov: 'Leading in an age of disinformation'

Jane Shepherdson, former CEO, Whistles; **Cindy Forde**, founder of Planetari; and **Ian Maclean**, Chair and family owner, John Smedley Ltd. Chair: Professor Frances Corner
11 Nov: 'Leading fashion's future: balancing growth, responsibility and change'

Hans Schöpflin, Founder and Chair, Schöpflin Foundation; **Dr Lisl Schöpflin**, President and Chair, Panta Rhea Foundation; and **Lucy Prebble**, award-winning playwright and co-executive producer of *Succession*. Chair: Dr Susanna Kislenko
18 Nov: 'Leadership & legacy: what makes succession successful?'

HUMAN RIGHTS LECTURE SERIES

Professor Atinuke Adediran, Fordham University School of Law. Chair: Professor Rachel Murray
25 Nov: 'Stakeholders without voice: human rights at work'

St John's

ST BRICE'S DAY COMMEMORATION 2026
An interdisciplinary symposium will take place on 13 November to mark the anniversary of the St Brice's Day massacre of 1002. Speakers include: **Professor Lady Sue Black**, **Professor Lesley Abrahams**, **Professor David Griffiths**, **Professor Carolyne Larrington**, **Professor Gareth Lloyd Evans** and **Dr Mark Atherton**. Registration required.

Ripon College Cuddesdon

BOOK LAUNCH

Kathryn Waddington, author, will discuss her new book at 7pm on 11 November.

Title: How to Be a Compassionate Academic

WRITING RETREAT: WRITING WITH COMPASSION

Kathryn Waddington, a trained facilitator of Rowena Murray writing retreats, will lead a structured writing retreat 11–13 November. Free places, including accommodation and meals, are available to students on a first-come, first-served basis. To apply for a free student place, email Harriet.

Examinations and Boards

Examinations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

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Changes to Examination Regulations

For the complete text of each regulation listed below and a listing of all changes to regulations for this year to date, please see our website.

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Board

MATERIALS, FHS
(a) to restructure thesis summative assessment
(b) to permit thesis resubmission
(c) to change wording to reflect current practice

Elections

Congregation 26 November

Please note: in the lists below, the names listed are simply those of the persons currently in office, whose terms of office are now coming to a close (thereby prompting all the vacancies now advertised for election).

Call for nominations

The nomination period for the election below will close at **4pm on 29 October 2026**. For further information, please email the Elections Office. For further information on a particular vacancy or the work of a committee or other body, please contact the Secretary of the relevant committee/body (as shown below).

Congregation elections

STATUTE XII POOL FOR CONSTITUTING PANELS (UAS)

- 1 member of Congregation to whom Statute XII applies to represent University Administration and Services (UAS), elected by members of Congregation, to serve from the start of HT 2027 until the start of HT 2031 [*vice* Hazel Jessop, Planning and Council Secretariat]

The Pool is comprised of 46 persons, elected by Congregation, in 1 of 7 constituencies: 6 members representing each of (1–4) the 4 academic divisions; (5) Gardens, Libraries and Museums; and (6) University Administration and Services; and (7) 10 members of Congregation, not necessarily representing any division and not in any case being nominated in a divisional capacity. Elections to the pool restrict candidates to those members of Congregation to whom Statute XII applies (that is: professors, readers, associate professors or lecturers; any employee of the University who is a member of the Universities Superannuation Scheme or who would be a member if he or she had not been exempted under the provisions of Statute XIV; and the Vice-Chancellor to the extent and in the manner set out in part G of Statute XII). College staff are not covered by Statute XII as colleges have their own statutes. The exception is college staff at Kellogg, St Cross and Reuben, which follow the University's statutes. Any staff holding joint appointments will, however, be covered by Statute XII in respect of their University contract of employment and duties. This means that all members of Congregation are eligible to nominate a candidate or to vote, but prospective candidates who want to stand for election must be a member of Congregation to whom Statute XII applies. By convention, it is expected that candidates for election to represent a constituency will work within that constituency. The full term of office is 4 years.

The terms of reference and membership of this body are set out in Council Regulations 3 of 2017. Members of the Pool will be chosen by lot to serve on a number of panels under Statute XII (ie Redundancy Panel (Section 14 (6)), Staff Employment Review Panel (Section 35) and University Appeal Panel (Section 52 (2)) and may be expected to also chair a Panel. Before serving on a Panel, each member of the Pool will be required to attend appropriate training, including on equality and diversity, which takes about half a day in total. Because members of the Pool are chosen by lot, it is hard to predict how many times a member will be asked to serve, but at the most this is likely to be 2 panels in a year (and often less), which each take around a day – before the hearing there will also be a large bundle of papers to read. Nominations from BME staff, from men and from academic and research staff are particularly encouraged. No particular skills/experience are necessary, but an interest in staffing matters is helpful. For further information, please email the Secretary, Megan Whitley.

Notes

The elections on 26 November 2026 will be conducted electronically.

Nominations

Nominations must be made electronically on an official nomination form. Completed nomination forms must be submitted by **4pm on Thursday 29 October 2026**.

General requirements and eligibility

All candidates are asked to note the general requirements which apply to all committee members, as set out in Council Regulations 14 of 2002. Current members seeking re-election are also asked to check for specific restrictions on consecutive service.

Candidates' statements

Candidates are invited to include with their nomination forms a written statement of no more than 250 words, setting out their reasons for standing and qualifications for the office being sought.

Contested elections

In the event of a contested election, the successful candidates will be determined by an electronic ballot.

Candidates' statements will be published in the *Gazette*. Voters may wish to read these statements before completing their electronic vote. The voting period will close at **4pm on Thursday 26 November 2026**.

Uncontested elections

If the number of nominations received by the closing date is no more than sufficient to fill the vacancies, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be duly elected as of the close of the nomination period on Thursday 29 October. When required, places will be allocated according to academic standing, as defined in Council Regulations 22 of 2002, Part 2: Academic Precedence and Standing. If the number of nominations received by the closing date is less than sufficient to fill the vacancies, those candidates nominated will be deemed elected unopposed, and the remaining vacancies will lapse, in which case, in accordance with the regulations, the places must remain vacant until appointments are made jointly by the Vice-Chancellor and Proctors.

For further information, please email the Elections Office.

Colleges, Halls and Societies

Elections

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ELECTIONS TO FELLOWSHIPS

To a Professorial Fellowship from 14 March 2027

Professor Leah Price, AB Harvard, PhD Yale (Bibliography & Modern Book History)

To an Official Fellowship and Tutorship in Statistics from 1 October 2026

Professor Tom Rainforth, MA MEng Camb, DPhil Oxf

To a Senior Research Fellowship from 1 October 2026

Professor Georg Holländer, MD Basel (Medicine)

To a Hugh Price Fellowship from 1 May 2026

Dr Fergus Imrie, MMath DPhil Oxf (Statistics)

To a Hugh Price Fellowship from 1 September 2026

Dr Idris Kempf, BSc MSc ETH Zurich, DPhil Oxf (Control Engineering)

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Rosalind Margaret Partridge (*née* Bishop), 24 June 2026; 1954. Aged 90.
Wyvis Irena Ray-Crosby (*née* Crosby), 6 August 2026; Scholar 1973. Aged 71.
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Jean Shipp (*née* Powell), 18 April 2022; 1964. Aged 80.

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