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|  The University of British Columbia Board of Governors | Policy No.: 47 | Approval Date: December 1987 Last Revision: May 2007 |
| | Responsible Executive: Vice President, Academic and Provost Deputy Vice Chancellor (UBC Okanagan) | |
| Title: Chairs and Professorships Funded by External Funds | | |
| Background & Purposes: Chairs and professorships are honorific positions awarded to prominent faculty members to recognize their academic accomplishments. Chair and professorship positions are separate and distinct from faculty positions. | | |

1. Scope

- 1.1. This Policies applies in respect of chairs and professorships funded by external funds. The distinction between a chair and a professorship is based primarily on the extent of external funding.

2. Chairs

- 2.1. A chair provides for the appointment of an established scholar, or a person who has otherwise attained eminence in his or her field of endeavour.
- 2.2. A holder of a chair will normally be appointed at the rank of professor.
- 2.3. A chair must, at its establishment, be fully funded from sources outside the regular operating budget. This may be by way of endowment, or may be provided on an annual basis for a defined period of at least 5 years (through gift and/or pledge). The funding should be sufficient to cover full salary support (including fringe benefits) and appropriate ancillary benefits (e.g. secretarial, research, travel).
- 2.4. A chair may be named as requested by the donor(s).
- 2.5. A chair may be a general University chair or may be identified as being in a particular field or discipline.
- 2.6. The establishment of a chair requires the approval of UBC Vancouver Senate or the UBC Okanagan Senate, as applicable.

3. Professorships

- 3.1. A professorship may normally be held only by a person who has the rank of professor.
- 3.2. A professorship is funded in part from the operating budget and in part from other sources. The external funding may be by way of endowment or may be provided on an annual basis for a defined period of at

least five years (through a gift and/or pledge). The external funding should normally provide (1) a supplement to the salary provided for in the operating budget, and (2) ancillary support (secretarial, research, travel).

- 3.3. A professorship may be named as requested by the donor(s).
- 3.4. A professorship may be a general university professorship or may be identified as being in a particular field or discipline.
- 3.5. The establishment of a professorship does not require the approval of the UBC Vancouver Senate or the UBC Okanagan Senate.
- 3.6. This policy does not apply to any arrangements that are in existence at the date the policy is adopted, nor to arrangements that may be made pursuant to discussions with donors that had commenced at the date the policy was adopted, even though the arrangements do not conform to the policy.

4. Assessment

- 4.1. A Dean of a Faculty, the Principal of the College of Health Disciplines, or the Principal of the College for Interdisciplinary Studies, depending upon where the holder of a chair or professorship holds his or her primary appointment as a faculty member, has the authority to require a report, in form and content as and when the Dean or Principal determines, from the holder of a chair or professorship.
- 4.2. The Vice President Academic and Provost at UBC Vancouver or the Deputy Vice Chancellor at UBC Okanagan, as applicable, has the authority to undertake a review of the activities carried out under the auspices of a chair or professorship and will determine the form and content of such review. Normally, a comprehensive review of a holder of a chair or professorship is undertaken at the same time as the review of the College of Health Disciplines or the College for Interdisciplinary Studies or the applicable Faculty, as the case may be, and the results incorporated into a separate section of the report on the College or the Faculty.
- 4.3. Reports and reviews are intended to serve as opportunities to recognize successes and identify weaknesses.

PROCEDURES

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Pursuant to Policy #1: Administration of Policies, "Procedures may be amended by the President, provided the new procedures conform to the approved policy. Such amendments are reported at the next meeting of the Board of Governors and are incorporated in the next publication of the UBC Policy and Procedure Handbook."

1. General

- 1.1. Funding arrangements for the establishment of chairs and professorships are subject to the approval of the President.
- 1.2. No appointment with review or appointment without term as a faculty member will be made where funding is sourced from a chair or professorship unless the Responsible Executive is satisfied that future funding independent of the chair or professorship can be secured.
- 1.3. The establishment of a chair or professorship shall normally not be tied to the appointment of a particular individual.
- 1.4. Faculty appointments are independent of chairs and professorships. Appointment or re-appointment of a chair or professorship will be made on the recommendation of the Dean, the Principal of the College of Health Disciplines, or the Principal of the College for Interdisciplinary Studies, depending upon where the holder of a chair or professorship holds his or her primary appointment as a faculty member, in accordance with the policies of the University relating to faculty appointments, as they may be amended from time to time.
- 1.5. When a faculty member ceases to hold a chair or professorship, that faculty member continues to be a faculty member subject only to the terms of his or her employment with the University.