THE UNIVERSITY OF HUDDERSFIELD
MEMBER OF UNIVERSITY COUNCIL/COMMITTEE
ROLE DESCRIPTION

Main objectives

To be able to devote time to attend Council and Committee meetings on a regular basis and undertake training and induction sessions.

To have a specialist knowledge of the work of one of the University Council Committees and be willing to share expertise.

Eligibility

The University of Huddersfield is an exempt charity and, as such, Council Members must not be disqualified from acting as a charity trustee, unless their disqualification has been waived.

Duties and responsibilities

• To work with fellow University Council and Committee Members effectively and to observe Nolan’s seven principles of public life: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership.

• To participate in strategic planning and ensure policy formulation, target setting, monitoring and evaluation of performance, and decisions taken are implemented.

• To ensure that the University acts at all times in line with its Statutory Instrument and Articles of Government and all other legal and funding requirements.

• To be familiar with and be committed to the University Council’s and relevant Committee’s terms of reference and the University’s Instrument and Articles of Government.

• To use independent judgement and declare any relationship internal or external which could interfere with impartial decision-making and the principles of public life.

• To act fairly and impartially maintaining confidentiality.

• To help resolve any conflict within the Council or Committee, liaising with Members and officers of the University to ensure the best interests of the University are paramount.

• To ensure all information and papers needed to make a sound decision are received and that these are read and understood.

• To attend meetings regularly, and to contribute to rational and constructive discussions and decision making.

• To understand and advise on the adequacy of financial and other information brought to the Council.

• To attend ad hoc University Committees and working groups.

• To serve as a Member of Committees and carry out other tasks as agreed by the Council.

• To accept collective responsibility for Council decisions.

• To attend training and induction sessions.

• To represent the Council and the University from time to time at conferences, functions and meetings.