

Guidelines for the appointment of research degree supervisors (PhD/MPhil and other doctoral degrees)

1 Eligibility

- 1.1 Full-time academic staff appointed at Assistant Professor level or above, full-time academic staff at the Senior Lecturer level holding a PhD and having a proven track record of research, or other members of staff approved by the Senate for this purpose, are eligible for appointment as Principal Research Supervisors.
- 1.2 Supervisors for research degrees should normally possess a PhD and, preferably, experience in leading and supervising research and research degree students.
- 1.3 Individuals without formal supervisory experience may also be considered for appointment as Associate Research Supervisors on the recommendation of the appropriate School Research Degrees Committee (SRDC) and the endorsement of the RDC on the basis of the scholarly achievements and area of expertise of the individual.
- 1.4 Individuals who are not full-time staff of the University may also be considered for appointment as Principal Research Supervisors or Associate Research Supervisors on the recommendation of the appropriate SRDC and the endorsement of the RDC.

2 Non-eligibility

- 2.1 A person who is a candidate for a research degree of this University or of any other institution will normally be ineligible to act as a Supervisor.

3 Appointment Procedures

- 3.1 The SRDC should nominate a Principal Research Supervisor and an Associate Research Supervisor, if any, when an application for admission to any research degree candidature is recommended to the RDC which will approve the nomination on behalf of the Senate.

4 Duties of Supervisors

- 4.1 These are set out separately under 'Research degree supervision: A code of practice'.