

**NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY**  
**Center for General Education**  
**Regulations Governing the Appointment Standards and**  
**Review Procedures for Distinguished Professorships**

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(Full amendment history at the end of this document)

- Article 1    The National Taiwan University (NTU or “the University”) Center for General Education (“the Center”) formulates the *Regulations Governing the Appointment Standards and Review Procedures for Distinguished Professorships* (“the Regulations”) in accordance with Article 6, Paragraph 3 of the University’s *Directives for Appointing Distinguished Professors and Implementing Their Differential Pay* to enhance the academic quality of the Center.
- Article 2    A quota-based, full-time, paid professor of the Center with a strong record of teaching, research, and service who meets any of the criteria provided in Article 2, Paragraph 1, Subparagraphs 1 through 6 of the University’s *Directives for Appointing Distinguished Professors and Implementing Their Differential Pay* shall be eligible for appointment as a distinguished professor.
- Article 3    Any full-time paid professor of the Center who meets the requirements for exemption from evaluation or who serves as a professor for 5 years or longer AND who has accumulated 50 points or more based on the following review criteria may be nominated as a candidate for distinguished professorship by their affiliated unit.
1.    Review standards for academic achievements:
    - 1) Having won a National Science and Technology Council (NSTC, formerly the Ministry of Science and Technology) Outstanding Research Award: 30 points per award
    - 2) Having served as principal investigator on an NSTC research project over the last 5 years: 2 points per project per year
    - 3) Having published a paper as the first or corresponding author in an outstanding journal recognized by the University over the last 5 years: 5 points per paper published in an outstanding journal and 3 points per paper published in an excellent journal.
    - 4) Having published a paper as the first or corresponding author in a highly-cited journal as defined in Article 5 of the University’s *Guidelines for Academic Research Performance Incentives* over the last 5 years: 20 points per paper
    - 5) Having been awarded an NTU Outstanding Academic Book Award over the last 5 years: 10 points per monograph
    - 6) Having been awarded an NTU Excellent Academic Book Award over the last 5 years: 8 points per monograph

- 7) Having been awarded an NTU Class A Academic Book Award over the last 5 years: 5 points per monograph
  - 8) Having been awarded an NTU Outstanding Book Chapter Award over the last 5 years: 5 points per chapter
  - 9) Having been awarded an NTU Excellent Book Chapter Award over the last 5 years: 3 points per chapter
  - 10) The recognition of and scoring for other academic achievements and awards shall be determined by the Center's Distinguished Professorship Review Committee at a review meeting.
2. Review standards for teaching and service achievements:
- 1) Having won an NTU Distinguished Teaching Award or a Distinguished Award for General Education Teachers: 30 points per award
  - 2) Having won an NTU Outstanding Teaching Award: 5 points per award
  - 3) Having won an NTU Distinguished Service Award: 20 points per award
  - 4) Having won an NTU Outstanding Service Award: 10 points per award
  - 5) Having served as a leader, coach or an athlete on the national delegation to an international sporting event AND having won the National Guo Guang Athletic Awarding Medal: 20 points per 1st Class Medal, 15 points per 2nd Class Medal, and 10 points per 3rd Class Medal
  - 6) Having served as a leader or coach to the athletes of a delegation of the University to a national collegiate sporting event or the National University and College Athletic Games AND having finished in first place: 1–3 points per win, the exact number of points to be determined by the Center's Distinguished Professorship Review Committee at a review meeting
  - 7) Having won a Ministry of Education (MOE) Outstanding Individual Athletic Performance at an Educational Institution Award: 20 points per award
  - 8) Having won an MOE Teacher Cultivation Exemplar Award: 20 points per award
  - 9) Having won an MOE Outstanding Internship Supervisor Award: 20 points per award
  - 10) Having served in an administrative position at the University over the last 5 years: 1 point per year of service
  - 11) The recognition of and scoring for other teaching or service achievements and awards shall be determined by the Center's Distinguished Professorship Review Committee at a review meeting.

The 5-year period for admissible academic achievements shall be counted back from the date when the distinguished professorship appointment by the University is expected to take effect.

The accumulated points shall only serve as one of the references for the Center's Distinguished Professorship Review Committee during its review,

and decisions may be made based upon other factors. Priority may be given to faculty members who have, in the recent five years, won an NSTC Outstanding Research Award or Ta-You Wu Memorial Award, an Academia Sinica Early-Career Investigator Research Achievement Award, an NTU Distinguished Teaching Award, an MOE Distinguished Award for General Education Teachers, or an NTU Distinguished Service Award.

Members of the Center's Distinguished Professorship Review Committee shall avoid nominating applicants whose research has obviously been interrupted or is insufficient unless there are compelling reasons for doing so.

Article 4 The Center's distinguished professor nomination process shall be handled by its Distinguished Professorship Review Committee ("the Committee"). The Committee shall be composed of five members, with the Center's Director serving as ex officio member and convener. The NTU President shall appoint two distinguished professors as additional ex officio members. For the remaining seats, the Center shall nominate a number of NTU distinguished professors that is double the number of the remaining seats to the Center's General Education Committee for selection. Committee members shall serve a one-year term but may serve consecutive terms if reappointed.

The Committee may only convene with at least two thirds of its membership in attendance, and a resolution may only be made with more than half of the attending members in concurrence.

Article 5 The Center's procedures for nominating distinguished professors shall be as follows:

1. Each subordinate unit of the Center may nominate faculty members who meet any of the eligibility criteria set forth under Article 2, Paragraph 1, Subparagraphs 1 through 5 of the University's *Directives for Appointing Distinguished Professors and Implementing Their Differential Pay* to the Center within the stipulated time frame by submitting supporting documents for their eligibility. Upon receipt of the nominations, the Center shall forward the list of candidates to the University. Candidates shall be appointed following review and passage by the Administrative Meeting, which shall also report the appointments to the University Faculty Evaluation Committee.
2. Each subordinate unit of the Center may nominate faculty members who meet the eligibility criteria set forth under Article 2, Paragraph 1, Subparagraph 6 of the University's *Directives for Appointing Distinguished Professors and Implementing Their Differential Pay* to the Center within the stipulated time frame by submitting supporting documents for their eligibility. Upon receipt of the nominations, the Center shall forward the list of candidates to the University. Candidates shall be appointed following review and passage by the competent research and development committee of the Office of Research and Development and the Administrative Meeting, which shall also report the appointments to the University Faculty Evaluation Committee.
3. Each subordinate unit of the Center may nominate faculty members who meet the criteria set forth under Article 3 herein to the Committee for approval within the stipulated time frame by submitting each candidate's curriculum vitae, bibliography, representative works, and supporting

documents for tangible teaching, service, or academic research achievements. The Center shall refer faculty members to the University for appointment as distinguished professors within the allotted quota. The candidates may be appointed following a review and passage by the Administrative Meeting and University Faculty Evaluation Committee.

Article 6 When conducting a review of candidates nominated as distinguished professors, the Committee may concurrently review reports submitted by distinguished professors whose distinguished professorship is due to be reviewed in the same year and forward the reports to the review committee for distinguished professors' differential pay for further review.

The provisions herein may apply mutatis mutandis to full-time paid research fellows and professor rank specialists of the Center, who may respectively be appointed as distinguished research fellows and distinguished professor rank specialists.

Article 7 Matters not addressed herein shall be subject to other applicable regulations of the University.

Article 8 The Regulations shall be passed by the Affairs Meeting and the Administrative Meeting of the Center and then implemented on the date of promulgation.

**[Full Amendment History]**

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