



The University of Manchester

Academic: research

Promotion to Professor (Grade 9)

Promotion in this category is based on evidence of achievement in the following areas of activity: Research, together with evidence of achievement in Service and Leadership and/or Knowledge Transfer and External Engagement as appropriate.

An applicant will not necessarily need to show an equally high level of achievement in each of the areas of activity included in the case, but if not, then compensatory achievement in some other area of activity is required.

In any case for promotion to Professor, an assessment of performance in one of the chosen areas of activity as being below that expected of a Senior Lecturer will normally preclude promotion. However, in reaching its decision on cases with such an evaluation, the SPC/FPC will take account of any extenuating circumstances drawn to its attention and the applicant's performance in the other two areas.

All cases for promotion will be assessed in relation to the norms of the discipline within which the candidate works.

Research

Evidence of **some activity in relation to all** of the following criteria and in addition a **high level of achievement with respect to some of the criteria**:

- a sustained record and continuing trajectory of output of high-quality, peer-reviewed research publications or other equivalent recognised forms of research output appropriate to the discipline

- a sustained and substantial record of success in obtaining external research funding
- a sustained record of successful supervision of PGR students
- evidence of high standing in the relevant international research communities
- a sustained record of making a positive contribution to the research development of others
- evidence of leadership of, and/or a record of service to, the research community external to the University
- evidence of initiating and participating in effective research collaboration, including beyond discipline where appropriate
- evidence of research activity that supports the University's social responsibility goal

Service and Leadership

- a record of successful leadership or management of a significant organizational unit or area of activity within the University
- evidence of leadership of, and/or a record of service to, relevant University-external academic or professional institutions or networks
- a record of successful support for the careers of colleagues

Knowledge Transfer and External Engagement

A record of achievement with respect to **some** of the following criteria (a candidate can either evidence equally high level of achievement with respect to all criteria appealed to or an exceptional level of achievement with respect to a smaller number combined with some activity with respect to some other criteria):

- a sustained record of productive involvement in translating research into beneficial activity or positive change in the wider community
- evidence of leadership of, and/or a record of active participation in, advisory committees or professional or practice-based forums relevant to discipline
- a sustained record of productive involvement in knowledge creation and transfer in partnership with industry, government, NGOs, learned societies or professional bodies

- a sustained record of activity that enhances public understanding of, and engagement with, knowledge and research, or that contributes to well-informed public debate
- a sustained record of external engagement using academic expertise or experience in support of the University's social responsibility goal
- evidence of influence on professional practice or on policy, including participation in professional or practice-based forums relevant to the staff member's discipline
- a record of creation, development and exploitation of intellectual property, including open access material.