

290-0 **Policy**

- a. In order to bring to the University distinguished individuals, ordinarily from non-academic fields, who through their contact with students and faculty may add to and enrich university life, The Regents of the University of California have established the titles Regents' Professor and Regents' Lecturer.
- b. Appointment of a Regents' Professor is preferred to the appointment of a Regents' Lecturer whenever possible.
- c. Nominations shall be coordinated by the Chancellors whenever possible in order to avoid conflicts and to make possible service on more than one campus when agreeable to the prospective appointees and to the Chancellors.

290-1 **Terms of Appointment**

To achieve the special purposes of Regents' Professor and Regents' Lecturer appointments as indicated in APM - 290-0, the following terms govern these appointments:

- a. **A Regents' Professor**
 - (1) should reside in the vicinity of the campus during the appointment and be available for seminars, colloquia and informal consultation with students and faculty members;
 - (2) should be available for lectures, seminars and conferences on campuses other than the one to which appointed for approximately two weeks of each quarter or semester;
 - (3) may participate in instruction in courses given for credit, at the discretion of the individual instructor; and
 - (4) may be assigned a course to teach at the discretion of the department chairperson and with the concurrence of the appropriate bodies of the Academic Senate.
- b. **A Regents' Lecturer**
 - (1) should reside in the vicinity of the campus during the appointment and be available for seminars, colloquia and informal consultation with students and faculty members; and

- (2) may address class sessions of a course given for credit at the invitation of the instructor, but does not normally participate in instruction.

290-4 **Definitions**

a. **Regents' Professor**

A Regents' Professor serves for a semester/quarter, two quarters, or an academic year at the University of California upon the invitation of the President of the University and with the approval of the Board of Regents. The Regents' Professor's achievements in agriculture, banking, commerce, engineering, human rights, industry, international education, labor, law, medicine, policy, or any other non-academic field in the humanities, arts, sciences or professions are equivalent to those on which appointments to regular University professorships are based.

b. **Regents' Lecturer**

A Regents' Lecturer serves for a relatively short period of time at the University of California upon the invitation of the Chancellor. The Regents' Lecturer's achievements in agriculture, banking, commerce, engineering, human rights, industry, international education, labor, law, medicine, policy, or any other non-academic field in the humanities, arts, sciences or professions are equivalent to those on which appointments to regular University lectureships are based.

290-6 **Responsibility**

Responsibility for acting on appointments is assigned as follows:

- a. The Chancellor is responsible for appointing a special committee of faculty members to undertake the solicitation of names and initial screening of potential Regents' Professors and Regents' Lecturers.
- b. The President is responsible, at appropriate intervals, for asking members of the Board of Regents to suggest names to be transmitted to the Chancellors for the committee's consideration.
- c. The faculty committee, appointed by the Chancellor, undertakes the solicitation of names and initial screening, and is responsible for submitting lists of recommended individuals to the Chancellor.

- d. The Chancellor is responsible for submitting recommendations for Regents' Professors to the President.
- e. The President is responsible for submitting to The Regents recommendations for Regents' Professors.
- f. The President is responsible for implementing intercampus exchange of Regents' Professors.

290-8 **Types of Appointment**

- a. The term of appointment shall begin and end within the period from the first day of classes in the fall semester/quarter and the last day of classes in the spring semester/quarter of the same academic year.
- b. Regents' Professors shall be appointed for a semester/quarter, two quarters, or an academic year.
- c. Regents' Lecturers shall be appointed for a period of less than a semester/quarter, two quarters or an academic year, but preferably for not less than two weeks.

290-10 **Criteria**

Criteria for appointment are:

- a. **Regents' Professors:** Achievements in agriculture, banking, commerce, engineering, industry, labor, law, medicine or any other non-academic field in the arts, sciences or professions, equivalent to those on which appointments to regular University professorships are based.
- b. **Regents' Lecturers:** Achievements in the fields listed in APM - 290-10-a, equivalent to those on which appointments to regular University lectureships are based.

290-16 **Limitations**

No commitment for an appointment as Regents' Professor is to be made until The Regents have approved the appointment.

290-18 **Compensation**

- a. Per Regental authority,¹ the maximum compensation rate for Regents' Professors and Regents' Lecturers corresponds to the salary rate for the highest step of the applicable professorial salary scale.

- b. **Regents' Professors**

Compensation for Regents' Professors is by agreement and subject to approval by The Regents and may take the form of salary or honorarium.

- c. **Regents' Lecturers**

Compensation for Regents' Lecturers is by agreement and subject to approval by the Chancellor and may take the form of salary or honorarium.

290-24 **Authority**

Authority to appoint Regents' Professors and Regents' Lecturers is delegated as follows:

- a. **Regents' Professors**

Appointments are approved by The Regents on recommendation of the President.

- b. **Regents' Lecturers**

Chancellors are authorized to appoint Regents' Lecturers.

¹ Regents Action Item 506 November 17, 1988