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TO: Academic Board

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AGENDA ITEM: 7

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Amendment to *Policy on Appointment of Professor Emeritus*

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Policies on the nature of academic appointments are assigned to the Board.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The Board amended this policy to allow for former holders of named chairs to hold the title of 'named chair emeritus' in June, 2002.

HIGHLIGHTS:

At the last Academic Board meeting, a question was raised as to why the University of Toronto did not use the title of Professor Emerita. Previously, there has been the view that this is grammatically incorrect in Latin. Regardless of grammar, the practice is common at many peer institutions. Discussion at the Board suggested that members would support a choice in this matter. The proposed revision to the *Policy* will allow individuals to elect to take the title of Professor Emerita, but not make this compulsory.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

None

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Academic Board approve

THAT the revision to the *Policy on Appointment of Professor Emeritus* as noted on the attachment be approved.

Policy on Appointment of Professor Emeritus

The appointment to the rank of Professor Emeritus shall be given to Professors who have retired. An individual appointed to this rank may elect to have the title be Professor Emerita. Individuals who are reappointed to a post-retirement position, whether full-time or part-time, shall be eligible to hold the rank of Professor Emeritus or Emerita as well as the recommended rank for that position. The award of Professor Emeritus or Emerita status shall be reported for information to the Academic Board of the Governing Council.

Where Professors have also held a named chair, as defined in the [Policy on Endowed Chairs, Professorships, Lectureships and Programs](#), they will also be entitled to apply to be able to use the title of that named chair or professorship with the qualifier 'emeritus' or 'emerita'. Such applications will require the approval of the Vice-President and Provost and will be reported for information to the Academic Board of the Governing Council.

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