

# Human Resources

## Remuneration and Benefits Handbook

## Position Classification Review Procedure

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

#### Aim

This procedure prescribes the process and responsibilities for a staff member to apply for a review of the classification of a position if they believe that the work value of the position has substantially changed, consistent with the <u>Remuneration and Employment Benefits Policy and clause 5.5 of the University of Adelaide Enterprise Agreement.</u>

- 1 Objectives
  - 1.1 To prescribe a process for all position classification review applications.
- 2 Scope
  - 2.1 Inclusions

This procedure applies to all professional staff where the staff member considers that the duties and responsibilities of their current position have increased in complexity and/or work value to warrant a review of the classification.

2.2 Exclusions

This procedure does not apply to casual employees and Senior Managers, as defined in the <u>University of Adelaide Enterprise Agreement.</u>

3 Process: Initial assessment and application of a position classification review

	Person Responsible	Actions
3.1	Staff Member	<ul> <li>a) Discuss with your supervisor the details of the changes to the duties and responsibilities of the position that you believe have occurred e.g. increased in complexity and/or work value.</li> <li>b) Complete the <u>Position Classification Review Application Form</u> (Appendix A).</li> </ul>
3.2	Supervisor	<ul> <li>a) Consult with the appropriate <u>Division/Faculty HR Advisor</u>, and provide comment and discuss with the staff member, where they believe the position's responsibilities have or have not increased in complexity and/or work value.</li> <li>If not supported:</li> <li>b) Advise the staff member, why their application will not be supported, if you do not believe their justification for a position reclassification is warranted.</li> <li>c) Complete the relevant section of the <u>Position Classification Review Application form (Appendix A) and forward to the Head of School/Branch for their consideration.</u></li> </ul>

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3 Process: Initial assessment and application of a position classification review (Continued)

3.2 Supervisor  d) Develop a draft position description, if after discustaff member, you believe the changes warrant a classification based on responsibilities and work e) Complete the relevant section of the Position Classification form (Appendix A) and attact  • Current position description • Draft proposed position description • Current organisational chart (showing the proposed to the Head of for consideration).  Note:  If the position is vacant or new and requires a determical classification, refer to the Recruitment Procedure.  The respective Faculty/Division is financially responsion increased cost of any reclassified position.	an increase in c value.  lassification  the following:  cosition for review) of School/Branch  mination on its

4 Process: Supporting or declining a position classification review application

Person Responsible		Actions		
4.1	Head of School or Branch/ Faculty Executive Manager/ Faculty Executive Director	<ul> <li>a) Review the application in its entirety, including the feedback from the supervisor and any additional documentation included.</li> <li>b) Indicate whether the application is supported or not, which will include reasons if the application is not supported.</li> <li>c) Forward recommendation to the Executive Dean/Divisional Head.</li> </ul>		
4.2	Executive Dean/ Corporate Manager/ Divisional Head	<ul> <li>a) Review and assess the application for a position classification review of the staff member's position, including comments provided by the supervisor and Head of School/Branch.</li> <li>b) Indicate whether the application is supported or not, which will include reasons if the application is not supported.</li> <li>c) Advise the Head of School/Supervisor of the outcome of the application.</li> <li>d) Forward the reclassification application to the <u>Division/Faculty HR Advisor</u> for assessment of the classification of the position.</li> </ul>		

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5 Process: Review, assess and approve or decline application

Pe	erson Responsible	Actions
5.1	HR Advisor/ HR Business Partner/ HR Manager	<ul> <li>a) Provide advice to staff, supervisors, Heads of School/Branch (Executive Dean/Divisions) on any aspects relating to the classification review and the Professional Classification Standards (Schedule 7) of the Enterprise Agreement.</li> <li>b) Review the application including the two position descriptions (current and proposed).</li> <li>c) Undertake further investigations to determine the appropriate classification of the application in line with the Professional Classification Standards (Schedule 7) of the Enterprise Agreement.</li> <li>d) Determine the commencement date that the successful classification review will take effect and advise the staff member and supervisor/s of the classification outcome. The review will normally be completed within four (4) weeks from the date of the application.</li> </ul>
		Note: Where a number of classification requests are required due to organisational requirements, HR, after a preliminary assessment may broker a suitable external contractor to provide the support required, at the expense of the School/Branch. These contractors will recommend the classification based on the <a href="Professional Classification Standards">Professional Classification Standards</a> (Schedule 7) of the Enterprise Agreement.
5.2	Associate Director, People and Performance OR Director, Human Resources	a) Approve the reclassification of the position, following the HR Advisor/HR Business Partner/HR Manager's assessment of the classification as per the <u>Professional Classification Standards</u> (Schedule 7) of the Enterprise Agreement.

6 Process: Right of Appeal

Person Responsible	Actions
6.1 Staff Member	a) Refer to Clause 5.5 – Classification Review and Clause 8.3 – Review and Appeals Committee in the Enterprise Agreement for information on how to make an appeal on any decision made.

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#### 7 Useful information and resources

7.1	University related documents and policies University of Adelaide Enterprise Agreement 2014-2017 (as amended) Remuneration and Employment Benefits Policy Recruitment Policy Performance, Development and Promotion Policy
7.2	Related legislation Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth)
7.3	Useful Web-links HR Service Centre

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### POSITION CLASSIFICATION REVIEW APPLICATION FORM

This form is to be used when a professional staff member initiates an application for a reclassification of the position they occupy.

Note: Professional staff positions are classified in accordance with the Professional Classification Standards (Schedule 7 of the University of Adelaide Enterprise Agreement).

STAFF MEMBER DETAILS				
Staff ID: Position title:	School/BranchWork phone			
Title:Family name:	Given names (in full):			
Position No.:	Current position classification:			
Position classification sought:	Step sought:			
STAFF MEMBER (For Completion)				
Before applying, please read Clause 5.5 - Classification Review a 2014-2017. Please consult with your supervisor when completing	nd Schedule 7 of the University of Adelaide Enterprise Agreement the application and the proposed Position Description.			
	occupy. Please provide details of the changes to the requirements e of responsibility in relation to the tasks and duties of the position.			
A classification review considers both the current and proposed F the position.	osition Description and identifies change(s) in the requirements of			
<ul> <li>Provide details of the changes to the current position that may affect its classification, including details of the impact, complexity and responsibility of the duties normally performed in the position.</li> </ul>				
(Attach additional information if needed)				
Any other relevant information not included in revised Positio	n Description.			
(Attach additional information if needed)	Continued page 2			

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SUBMISSION BY APPLICANT				
Staff Member				
Signature: Date:				
SUPERVISOR (For Completion)				
Note, supervisors are required to make comments about the position in the application. Please do not include personal comments relating to the applicant's performance, personal attributes or qualifications.				
Do you agree with the reasons given by the applicant for reclassification of the position that they occupy?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Does the proposed Position Description accurately reflect all the duties and responsibilities that are performed?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Provide comments:				
SUPERVISOR: Support For Application				
Do you support this application?  If No, please explain reasons:  Yes □	No 🗆			
Has a copy of this completed application been provided to the applicant for their records? Yes  Name: Date:				
DOCUMENTATION (To Be Attached)				
Please tick that you have provided the following documents with the application:  Current Position Description  Proposed Position Description  Current organisational chart (showing position for review).				
HEAD OF SCHOOL/BRANCH /FACULTY EXECUTIVE MANAGER/ DIRECTOR: Support For Application				
Do you support this application? ☐ Yes ☐ No  If No please explain reasons:				
Name:Signature:	Date:			

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EXECUTIVE DEAN/ CORPORATE MANAGER/ DIVISIONAL HEAD: Support For Application		
Will there be any adverse impact of the proposed reclassification on other positions in the Faculty/Division?  For comment:		□ No
Do you support this application for reclassification?  If No, please explain reasons:	☐ Yes	□ No
Name:Date:		
HR ADVISOR/HR BUSINESS PARTNER/HR MANAGER: For Assessment Of Position		
Has all the documentation for the assessment of the reclassification of the position been received?	☐ Yes	□ No
Provide any comments in relation to the assessment of the position for reclassification.		
On the basis of the assessment of all the documentation relating to the classification review, it has been as  The proposed position description is classified at HEOStepat the effective date of  HR Advisor/HR Business Partner/HR Manager:		
Name:		
DIRECTOR HR / ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, PEOPLE AND PERFORMANCE: For Approval Of Position (	Classification	
Director, HR/Associate Director, People and Performance:		
I <u>approve</u> the classification of the position as determined in the assessment above:		
Name: Signature:	Date:	
HR ADVISOR/HR BUSINESS PARTNER/HR MANAGER: For notification to all parties		
Notification of the outcome of this application has been forwarded to the staff member and relevant ma	anagers.	
*If the application for reclassification is successful, unless otherwise specified and justified, the ne effect no later than 20 working days from the date of submission of the application (Refer to staff mem		

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