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Appointment of Continuing Librarian Procedure

Office of Administrative Responsibility:	Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President (Human Resources)
Approver:	General Faculties Council & Board of Governors
Scope:	Compliance with University procedure extends to all members of the University community

Overview

The appointment of Librarians is subject to the terms of the Librarian Agreement and all other relevant University of Alberta policies, procedures and protocols.

Purpose

These procedures outline the steps to be taken to initiate and to complete the appointment for a **staff member** under the Librarian Agreement.

PROCEDURE

1. RECRUITMENT PROCESS

- a. The Chief Librarian is responsible for the recruitment process for staff members under the Librarian Agreement.
- b. All verbal or written discussions throughout the recruitment process must include explicit communication to the candidate that appointment to the University is subject to issuance and execution of a formal **Letter of Appointment** as described in this procedure.
- c. A candidate will not be formally appointed to the University unless the Letter of Appointment has been completed and a fully executed copy has been returned to the University prior to the effective date of the appointment.

2. LETTER OF APPOINTMENT

- a. The Letter of Appointment constitutes the entire formal appointment between the candidate and the University and must:
 - i. follow the template of Letter of Appointment in Appendix A.1 to the Librarian Agreement; and
 - ii. conform to all applicable terms and conditions as set out in this procedure.
- b. When the Chief Librarian wishes to make an offer of appointment to a candidate for a Librarian position, a Letter of Appointment will be prepared by the Office of the Chief Librarian, signed by the Chief Librarian, and issued to the candidate.
- c. The effective date of a candidate's appointment as a Librarian is the date set out in the Letter of Appointment. The candidate will have no rights or entitlements under staff agreements, policies, or the Letter of Appointment (unless expressly stated otherwise therein) until the effective date of the appointment.
- d. Any subsequent amendments to the Letter of Appointment must be in writing and signed by all parties.

- e. Supplementary Conditions may include those of the following University-wide terms and conditions of appointment that apply:
- i. for foreign nationals, confirmation of immigration status to work in Canada as a pre-condition to any appointment or continuation of appointment as a staff member at the University;
- ii. financial conditions affecting a **contingent appointment**, including the source(s) of funding and the consequences of a loss of funding;

DEFINITIONS

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Staff Member	A person employed by the University of Alberta and defined under <i>Recruitment Policy (Appendix A) Definition and Categories of Academic Staff and Colleagues</i> or <i>Recruitment Policy (Appendix B) Definition and Categories of Support Staff</i>
Letter of Appointment	Appendix A.1 of the Librarian Agreement
Contingent Appointment	An appointment to the academic staff of the University under the terms of the Librarian Agreement with a special condition that recognizes circumstances where the position is funded by external sources. The term “funded by external sources” is defined as any financial support directly connected to a specific position when the financial support for that position does not come from the operating budget of the University. The term may include funds from endowments or targeted gifts, agencies supporting research through grants or contracts, and other sources.

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