REGULATIONS FOR THE CONFERMENT OF THE TITLES ‘PROFESSOR EMERITUS’ AND ‘ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR EMERITUS’

Adopted based on clause 35 (3) and 36 (2) of the Universities Act, clause 23 (4) 6) of the University of Tartu Act and clause 12 (2) 15) of the Statutes of the University of Tartu and pursuant to clause 14 (3) 15), subsection 35 (4) and subsection 36 (3) of the Universities Act. [effective as of 1 January 2016]

1. The Senate of the University of Tartu (‘the university’) may award the title of professor emeritus to a person who has been employed by the university in the position of professor for at least ten years or has been elected to the position of professor in ordinary at least twice and who has reached the retirement age and no longer holds the position of professor in ordinary. The title of professor emeritus is awarded to acknowledge outstanding contribution to the development of studies and research in the person’s field of study. [effective as of 1 June 2015]

2. The senate of the university may award the title of associate professor emeritus to a person who has been employed by the university in the position of associate professor for at least fifteen years and who has reached the retirement age and no longer holds the position of associate professor in ordinary, professor in ordinary or academy research professor. The title of associate professor emeritus is awarded to acknowledge long-term high-quality work done for the university. For the purposes of conferment of the title of associate professor emeritus, the time employed in the position of professor and academy research professor is also counted as time employed in the position of associate professor. [effective as of 1 June 2015]

3. The process of conferring the title of professor or associate professor emeritus is initiated on the basis of the application of a person who meets the requirements specified in clause 1 or 2 of these regulations by the unit where the candidate was last employed or still is employed as a professor or associate professor.

4. The head of institute or director of college submits the essential information regarding the person who has applied for the title to the council of the faculty. The council of the faculty forms an opinion on the conferment of the title of professor or associate professor emeritus. The dean transmits to the senate an extract from the minutes of the meeting of the council of the faculty together with the person’s application and other documents submitted by the person and collected in relation to the conferment of the title. [effective as of 1 January 2016]

5. If the unit where the person who meets the requirements specified in clause 1 or 2 of these regulations was last employed has been abolished, the process of conferring the title of professor or associate professor emeritus is initiated by the academic secretary on the basis of the person’s application. The academic secretary transmits to the senate the person’s
application and other documents which have been submitted by the person or collected in relation to the conferment of the title.

6. The senate of the university decides on the conferment of the title of professor or associate professor emeritus.

7. A professor emeritus is entitled to participate in the work of the university, while at the same time not holding the position of professor in ordinary, and to receive the pay of a professor emeritus.

8. An associate professor emeritus is entitled to participate in the work of the university, while at the same time not holding the position of associate professor in ordinary, and to receive the pay of an associate professor emeritus.

9. The amount of the pay of an associate professor emeritus or professor emeritus and the frequency of its payment is established by the rector by directive separately for each financial year after the adoption of the university-wide budget.

10. The Regulations for the Conferment of the Titles of Professor Emeritus and Associate Professor Emeritus adopted by the Council of the University of Tartu Regulation no. 3 of 27 March 2009 and amended by the Council of the University of Tartu Regulation no. 21 of 23 November 2012 are repealed.