

SHEFFIELD HALLAM UNIVERSITY

DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNANCE, LEGAL AND SECTOR REGULATION

CHANCELLOR

ROLE DESCRIPTION AND PERSON SPECIFICATION

The role

The Chancellor is the ceremonial head of the University and as such acts as a figurehead and an ambassador for the University, working with the Vice-Chancellor and other senior staff to promote the University's achievements regionally, nationally and internationally. The Chancellor should be guided in their work by the University's goals contained in the University's mission, values and strategy.

Key Responsibilities

- To preside and confer awards at the University's graduation ceremonies;
- To help the University to promote its achievements and to enhance its profile, regionally, nationally and internationally;
- To participate in selected University's publicly-facing activities where appropriate.

Person Specification

The Chancellor of Sheffield Hallam University must:

- Demonstrate excellence and be an inspirational leader in their field of endeavour;
- be an ambassador for the University's mission, vision, strategy and values;
- show genuine affection for and interest in the University, its staff and students;
- be able to recognise and support the University's position under both Freedom of Speech Legislation and as an exempt charity;

It is also desirable that the Chancellor has one or more of the following characteristics:

- a national or global profile and connectivity;
- a willingness to actively support the University in its development activities.

The University is committed to equity, equality, diversity and inclusivity and wishes to encourage nominations for candidates from diverse backgrounds, with a broad range of skills, and experience.

The role of Chancellor is an honorary role - travel and subsistence expenses are paid but there is no salary. Administrative support will be provided to the Chancellor to enable them to carry out their responsibilities.

The appointment is for up to a four-year term of office, which can be renewed at the discretion of the Board of Governors.