

**Resolution Regarding Professor of Practice Honorific Title**

Submitted by Scott Mellor, Assembly Representative District 262 and amended and reintroduced by the Academic Staff Executive Committee

Whereas, the honorific title “Research Professor” was approved by the UW-Madison Faculty Senate in 2004;

Whereas, the process to receive the “Research Professor” honorific title is lengthy and arduous;

Whereas, the Faculty Senate has not granted the honorific title “Teaching Professor”;

Whereas, there has been a request to add the honorific title “Professor of Practice” for selected professionals coming from outside academia;

Whereas, the primary duty of these professionals could be teaching;

Whereas, academic staff teach 33% of credit hours on campus;

Whereas, the approval of ~~this~~ the new title of “Professor of Practice” would be demoralizing and detrimental to long-term instructional academic staff on campus in the absence of a similar opportunity;

Therefore be it resolved, the UW-Madison Academic Staff Assembly is strongly opposed to the use of “Professor of Practice” so long as the honorific title “Teaching Professor” is unavailable to academic staff at UW-Madison.