

Notes to Appendix 6

All grades

Points on any grade marked as * indicate progression to that point is based on contribution. HERA point range shown above each grade.

- Grade 1** Although the spine begins at the level of the national minimum wage for young workers, the first point on the grade is equivalent to the national minimum wage.
Appointments in practice would be from point 8 on the grade, giving an effective grade of four points where progression is based on service, and a further four points where progression is based on contribution. The majority of roles currently graded at CS2, M1, and M2 would fit this grade.
Note 1:
The minimum wage is a legal right which covers almost all workers in the UK. It became law on 1 April 1999. On 1 October 2003 the main rate of the minimum wage was raised to £4.50 an hour. The main rate applies from a worker's 22nd birthday. On 1 October 2003 the youth rate of the minimum wage for workers aged 18–21 (inclusive) was raised to £3.80 an hour. If you take on a new worker aged 22 or over and you are providing accredited training, you will have to pay them from 1 October 2003 at least £3.80 an hour for the first six months.
- Grade 2** The majority of roles currently graded at CS3, T3, and M3 would fit this grade, which would have five points where progression was based on service and a further three points where progression was based on contribution.
- Grade 3** The majority of roles currently graded at CS4 and M4 would fit this grade, which would have four points where progression was based on service and a further three points where progression was based on contribution.
- Grade 4** The majority of roles currently graded at CS5, T4, and T5 would fit this grade which would have seven points where progression was based on service and a further four points where progression was based on contribution. Using HERA there is little differentiation in job size between T4 and T5.
These three grades currently account for 1,000 staff.
- Grade 5** This grade is the first point in the new structure where grades for officers and assistant staff meet and is potentially one of the most problematical of the new grades. It is likely to encompass Administrative Officers, Technical Grades 6, 7, and 8, CS6, Research Associates, and some Computer Officers.
It is necessarily long in order to ensure a best fit with existing grades. Progression is split approximately between two-thirds service and one-third contribution.
- Grade 6** This grade would cover the current grades of University Lecturer, University Senior Lecturer, and Reader and the academic-related grade of Assistant Registry. The grade is subdivided to reflect different progression arrangements for academic-related (6a) and academic (6b) staff.
- Grade 6a** Progression for academic-related staff would be by contribution beyond the current service maximum of the Assistant Registry grade (currently £37,187).
- Grade 6b** Progression for academic staff would be via the annual promotions exercise, as would progression to Grade 7b, the professorial grade.
The University Lecturer scale would be from point 1 to 9 on Grade 6b, University Senior Lecturer from point 7 to 13, and Reader from 11 to 15.
The beginning of the range for University Senior Lecturer and Reader are shown on the grade as solid lines with the range for University Lecturer shaded with a diagonal line. The top of the University Senior Lecturer range and University Lecturer range are shown on the grade by a broken line.
The bottom of the current scale for University Lecturers would be uplifted by approximately 6 points on the current scales but only a small proportion of staff are on these points.
- Grade 7** This grade would cover the most senior academic-related grades and Professors. The grade is subdivided to reflect different progression arrangements for academic-related (7a) and academic (7b) staff.
- Grade 7a** For academic-related staff it is proposed that there are two gateways within the grade at which the post would have to meet a minimum size as measured through HERA. The gateways would be set in HERA points at 530 and 560 points respectively and are shown on the grade by solid lines. The current grade of Senior Assistant Registry would be likely to fall in the first part of the grade and Principal Assistant Registry in the mid range.
For academic-related staff above 560 points the HERA methodology would determine the salary range. All progression would be based on contribution.
- Grade 7b** This grade would cover the professorial range beginning above the equivalent of the national minimum and going up to the standard professorial stipend. Progression within the professorial range would be based on service up to point 6 on the grade. Above point 6 on the grade progression would be to six set points which are equivalent to the first, second, third, and fourth supplementary payments and proposed fifth and sixth. These steps are shown on the grade as SP (supplementary payment) 1 to 6.