



UCL Academic Manual

Chapter 8: Derogations and Variations

UCL Institute of Education

UCL IOE Professional Practice Panel policy

- 2.2 To decide whether or not to confirm that a student's teaching placement was reasonably terminated.
- 2.3 To consider evidence of the student's performance and abilities shown whilst on teaching practice, including information from the Cause for Concern process.
- 2.4 The Professional Practice Panel has the responsibility and power to decide:
- (a) What steps should be taken where a student's teaching practice is terminated for any reason by the school or college or training provider. These steps may include one or more of the following:
 - (b) UCL Institute of Education undertaking to find the student a new placement, if possible
 - (c) Allowing the student time to find new employment (if on an employment-based or in-service route)
 - (d) Determining that it would not be appropriate for the student to resume the placement in another school or college
 - (e) The Professional Practice Panel may also decide whether or not it wishes to recommend to a Board of Examiners that the student fail the placement component of the programme (it is for the Board of Examiners to make such a decision).
- 2.5 To make a recommendation to the Board of Examiners over whether or not a student who has had their teaching practice terminated should have an opportunity to retake the teaching practice component of their programme, and if so, how that should be arranged.
- 2.6 To determine that there is sufficient evidence for the Panel to take a decision and/or to request further evidence if it is deemed necessary to help make an informed and professional decision.

3. Constitution

- 3.1 The Chair of the Professional Practice Panel will be the Director of Initial Teacher Education or nominee.
- 3.2 The Constitution of a Professional Practice Panel is:
- (a) The Director of Initial Teacher Education or nominee (Chair of the Panel)
 - (b) The Programme Leader for the student's programme
 - (c) An academic member of staff from the student's programme
 - (d) An academic member of staff from a different programme in the ITE area who does not know the student

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