

Admissions Policy

- 1. The Council of the Magna Charta Observatory welcomes applications to sign the Magna Charta Universitatum from universities anywhere in the world which adhere to or are able to adhere to the fundamental principles set out in the Magna Charta Universitatum and are endeavouring to do so.
- 2. Applicants must provide details of their policies and practices relating to their autonomy, academic freedom in research, teaching and learning, and demonstrating how they ensure integrity in their operations in a prescribed application form.
- 3. These statements must be supported by a formal request by the senior academic post-holder (Rector, President or Vice-Chancellor) and evidence in the form of certified minutes from the senior academic body and the ultimate governing body that the application has their full support.
- 4. Should the application be accepted, all staff must be notified, publicity should be given to the acceptance on the university's website which should include a link to the Magna Charta's website.
- 5. Applicants must include statements of support from three universities, at least two of which should be outside of their own country, which are already signatories of the Magna Charta Universitatum.
- 6. Applications will be reviewed by a Committee appointed by the Magna Charta Observatory Council. Each application will be assessed on its merits and a recommendation made to the Council. The Council will recommend to the University of Bologna that those applicants deemed to provide evidence of compliance with this policy be invited to sign the Magna Charta Universitatum.
- 7. Applicants must make a commitment to engage with the Magna Charta Observatory through participation in self evaluation, periodic surveys, studies, conferences, workshops and similar so as to engage in developing their own adherence to the fundamental values and share experience so as to assist other universities to do so.
- 8. Should concerns be raised regarding a signatory's adherence to the fundamental values, the university must cooperate with the Magna Charta Observatory in reviewing the matter and responding. The Observatory reserves the right to publish details of any non-compliance, remove the university from the publish list of signatories and exercise other sanctions if necessary.