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# Proposed Changes to Rules and Standing Orders

**Proposed changes to Rules and Standing Orders as declared competent  
by the Standing Orders Committee for AGM 2017**

**1. Proposed change to Rule 11 (Membership) (Page 8)**

1. Ordinary members (j) (line 2)

After "Scotland" insert "as academic related staff or"

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**Commentary**

The current Rules allow some academic related staff in the higher education sector to join the EIS; the amended rule would allow any academic related staff in the higher education sector to join the EIS. Academic related posts are graduate level posts that include researchers, teaching fellows, library and museum staff etc.

## EXTRACT FROM CONSTITUTION

**(The following pages from the Constitution contain the sections where the change has been proposed)**

- (j) persons employed in universities or other designated institutions of higher education in Scotland in counselling students, managing computing centres, or managing consultancy units;
  - (k) the Chief Administrative Officer, Secretary, Registrar or holder of any equivalent post in any university or other designated institution of higher education in Scotland;
  - (l) instructors -
    - (i) in expressive arts or home economics;
    - (ii) in former List D schools;
    - (iii) in outdoor education; or
    - (iv) in special education;
  - (m) persons employed as Instrumental Music Teachers.
2. **Student Members** - Every student who is accepted for entrance to a course in Scotland leading directly to a teaching qualification shall be eligible for admission as a student member of the Institute without payment of fees or contribution. Student members shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of ordinary membership except that they shall be ineligible to vote in any Institute election or at any Institute meeting or to hold any post or office within the Institute. Student members will be members of the local association which contains the university or college at which the student is studying.
- A member leaving teaching temporarily for the purpose of obtaining a further qualification at an establishment of higher education and not in receipt of salary shall be eligible for admission as a student member of the Institute, without payment of fee or subscription, on undertaking to resume ordinary membership immediately an appointment is secured. Student members must become ordinary members before eligibility in terms of Rule XXI 4(c) commences.
3. **Associate Members** – A teacher or lecturer, resident in Scotland, holding a teaching qualification obtained furth of Scotland, and whose application for asylum in the UK has been successful or is awaiting a decision shall be eligible for admission as an Associate Member of the Institute without payment of fees or contribution while seeking either registration with the General Teaching Council for Scotland or a teaching or lecturing post in Scotland. Associate Members shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of ordinary membership except that they shall be ineligible to vote in any Institute election or at any Institute meeting or to hold any post or office within the Institute. Associate Members shall be members of the Local Association in the area of their place of residence. A teacher or lecturer shall not be eligible for Associate membership when otherwise eligible for full membership. Associate members must become ordinary members before eligibility in terms of Rule XXI 4(c) commences.
4. **EIS Parliamentary Association** - A member, on election as a Member of Parliament or Member of the Scottish Parliament, may continue membership of the Institute on payment of subscription at a level and by a method determined by the Council. Such members will