



IUCN ACADEMY OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Membership Criteria

Under the Academy's By-laws, membership of the Academy is open to University law departments, law faculties and law schools, as well as academic research institutions, located throughout the world, that have made teaching and research about environmental law a significant component of their academic program. There is no limitation on the number of member institutions per country or per region. Institutional members are entitled to send a representative to the Academy's annual Collegium.

There is no separate category of membership for either individuals or environmental law centres under the By-laws. However, both full-time and part-time staff of any institution that is a member of the Academy, or of any environmental law centre located within the member institution, are entitled to participate in the Academy's activities and will be able also to receive regular communications from the Academy.

The following criteria will be taken into consideration for determining applications for membership of the Academy:

A. A Law Department, Faculty or School applying for membership of the Academy must:

1. Have one or more professors of law specialized in the teaching of one or more environmental law subjects
2. Teach, on a regular basis, at least one environmental law subject
3. Have one or more professors with a record of publishing an environmental law journal or articles and books on environmental law
4. Commit to supporting participation of one or more of its environmental law professors in Academy activities
5. The Governing Board may waive one or more of the requirements in (1) to (4) above, provided that such decision is consistent with By-law 4.2."

**Please note that the term "professor of law" is used here in its North American sense, encompassing Lecturers, Senior Lecturers, Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Full Professors.*

B. An academic research institution applying for membership of the Academy must:

1. Have two or more full-time researchers specialized in the research of environmental law;
2. Have a record of publishing an environmental law journal or articles or books on environmental law;
3. Have researchers that regularly teach in a university environmental law programme,
4. Commit to supporting participation of one or more of its members in Academy activities.