

Consideration of Applicants and Students with Criminal Convictions

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As outlined in our Code of Conduct it is essential that students are held to high standards of integrity and accountability. We also believe in a redemptive God who has the power to transform lives. We require information about any unspent criminal convictions in order to provide a safe environment for all our students, however, having a criminal record will not necessarily mean that an applicant cannot be admitted to their chosen course or a student continue on a course following a conviction. The policy below outlines:

- Which criminal convictions we would consider 'relevant'
- Processes involved in enrolling students with criminal convictions
- What happens when a current student declares a conviction
- How to appeal the decisions made

UWL Policy

The UWL policy for the regulations relating to criminal convictions can be found here:

https://www.uwl.ac.uk/sites/default/files/Departments/About-us/criminal_convictions_regulations_2020.pdf

Nexus ICA Processes

Where a student discloses a relevant criminal conviction, this will be reported to the Principal of Nexus ICA who will convene a Criminal Convictions Panel. The panel shall consist of:

- A member of the Senior Leadership Team
- The Head of Student Wellbeing
- A member of University of West London Staff, likely our Academic Partnership Link Tutor

Any recommendations will be made to the Deputy Vice Chancellor of the University of West London.

Any appeals on the decision reached should be directed to the University of West London.