

# COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES (CLASS)

## Graduate Faculty Status Criteria

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In accordance with the requirements set by the College of Graduate Studies, there shall be three levels of membership, each with corresponding levels of privileges:

Requirements for membership: For faculty seeking reappointment, membership criteria must be met within the preceding five years prior to the renewal of membership. Graduate faculty at Level II or Level III may apply for membership at a higher level at any time once the appropriate criteria are met.

### 1) Requirements for membership:

#### Level I:

- Terminal degree in discipline; and
- One of the following:
  - 2 peer-reviewed journal articles, plus 2 peer-reviewed scholarly works including refereed book chapters, *peer-reviewed journal articles*, refereed papers in conference proceedings, edited or co-edited scholarly books, a role as editor of a scholarly journal or series of books, major competitive grants, or other equivalent achievements appropriate to the faculty member's discipline.

#### OR

- 1 scholarly peer-reviewed book in faculty member's discipline

#### OR

- equivalent externally-recognized publication or creative activity appropriate to discipline, including exhibitions of visual art; publication of fiction, poetry, drama, or other creative prose; production of works of music, theater, film, or dance; the publication of polls; the creation of works of digital scholarship; prominent and externally-recognized service to the faculty member's discipline; and equivalent achievements appropriate to the faculty member's discipline. In some cases, a single major work or publication shall be equivalent to a peer-reviewed book; in other cases, works will be deemed equivalent to one or more journal articles. For disciplines in which peer review is not the norm, the standard applied shall be that of the reputable and competitive venue.

## **Level II:**

- Terminal degree in discipline; and
- One of the following:
  - 1 peer-reviewed journal article, plus 1 peer-reviewed scholarly work including refereed book chapters, , *peer-reviewed journal articles*, refereed papers in conference proceedings, edited or co-edited scholarly books, a role as editor of a scholarly journal or series of books, major competitive grants, or other equivalent achievements appropriate to the faculty member's discipline.

### **OR**

- equivalent externally-recognized publication or creative activity appropriate to discipline, including exhibitions of visual art; publication of fiction, poetry, drama, or other creative prose; production of works of music, theater, film or dance; the publication of polls; the creation of works of digital scholarship; prominent and externally-recognized service to the faculty member's discipline; and equivalent achievements appropriate to the faculty member's discipline. In some cases, a single major work or publication shall be equivalent to a peer-reviewed book; in other cases, works will be deemed equivalent to one or more journal articles. For disciplines in which peer review is not the norm, the standard applied shall be that of the reputable and competitive venue.

## **Level III:**

- Appropriate graduate degree; and
- 2 years of professional experience

## **Provisional:**

- Full-time faculty receiving their terminal degree within two (2) years of seeking Graduate Faculty membership, but who do not fulfill the peer approval requirement, may be recommended for an initial three (3) year membership term if they have submitted at least some evidence of their accomplishments or knowledge of their discipline for review and approval under the guidelines. At the termination of this initial membership period, continuation of Graduate Faculty membership will require compliance with the criteria stated herein.

- 2) Graduate Faculty members are appointed for a five (5) year term, with the year of appointment serving as the first year of the term. The Dean of the College of Graduate Studies shall maintain a current list of members of the Faculty of the College of Graduate Studies. This list shall be distributed to the faculty annually.