

Tenure of Title

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Appointment, Promotion and Tenure Guidelines
USF Morsani College of Medicine

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(6) Tenure of Title (Clinician Educator): Tenure of Title may be awarded to a faculty member whose scope of duties for the College and USF Health are primarily clinical or patient care who, in the opinion of the College (a) has shown sustained excellence in scholarly activity, teaching and professional/collegiate service; (b) has achieved national recognition in their field by professional office, awards, and/or recognition in their discipline; (c) has demonstrated clinical work productivity by exceeding collegiate and national benchmarks for their discipline; and (d) who is judged capable of continuing such activity over the balance of his or her career. Tenure of title is only available to faculty members with the rank of associate professor or professor for clinician educators. Tenure of title shall require a minimum of seven (7) years of outstanding performance at this University College of Medicine for eligibility for consideration for recommendation in the customary format through the annual collegiate promotion and tenure process with documentation and criteria enumerated in **Section 6** substantially the same as required for all faculty.

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(7) Tenure of Title (Scientist Educator): Tenure of Title may be awarded to a non tenure accruing faculty member whose scope of duties for the College and USF Health are primarily educational with educational scholarship who, in the opinion of the College (a) has shown sustained excellence in scholarly activity, teaching and professional/collegiate service; (b) has achieved national recognition in their field by professional office, awards, and/or recognition in their discipline; (c) has demonstrated sustained excellence in student and peer teaching evaluations by exceeding collegiate benchmarks for their discipline; and (d) who is judged capable of continuing such activity over the balance of his or her career. Tenure of title is only available to faculty members with the rank of associate professor or professor for scientist educators. Tenure of title shall require a minimum of seven (7) years of outstanding performance at this University College of Medicine for eligibility for recommendation in the customary format through the annual collegiate promotion and tenure process with documentation and criteria enumerated in Section **6.2** and **6.3** in substantially the same manner as required for all faculty.

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(8) Tenure of Title (Research Scientist): Tenure of Title may be awarded to a non tenure accruing faculty member whose scope of duties for the College and USF Health are primarily research and scholarly activities supported by extramural research funding

who, in the opinion of the College (a) has shown sustained excellence in scholarly activity, research productivity, and professional/collegiate service; (b) has achieved national recognition in their field by professional office, research grant awards, and/or recognition in their discipline; (c) has demonstrated sustained excellence in research recognition through publication in peer reviewed journals and research grant support (d) who is judged capable of continuing such activity over the balance of his or her career. Tenure of title is only available to faculty members with the rank of associate professor or professor for research scientist. Tenure of title shall require a minimum of seven (7) years of outstanding performance at this University Morsani College of Medicine for eligibility for recommendation in the customary format through the annual collegiate promotion and tenure process with documentation and criteria enumerated in Section 6.2 and 6.3 in substantially the same manner as required for all faculty.

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(9) **Post Tenure Review:** There shall be a collegiate policy that all tenured, core faculty in the Morsani College of Medicine participate in a process of post-tenure review if the individual faculty member has a summary five-year performance score assigned by the department chair of less than satisfactory on the collegiate evaluation form for the most recent five year period.

The purpose of the post-tenure review process is to assure the faculty member's continued professional growth and development beyond the award of tenure and to provide a process for both periodic and episodic ("triggered") college level evaluation.

An episodic review may occur at the request of the Dean of the Morsani College of Medicine when there is reason to believe that performance expected of a faculty member in the Morsani College of Medicine is below expectation.

The full process shall be available on the Collegiate Faculty Affairs web page.

3.8 APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, AND TENURE COMMITTEES

(1) **College Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure Committee:** The College Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure (APT) Committee consists of nine tenured members of the Core Faculty (at least two-thirds {2/3} of whom shall hold the rank of Professor) and two non tenure accruing faculty of advanced rank from other pathways (Associate Professor or Professor) appointed by the Dean under terms and conditions outlined in the College Faculty Bylaws. The Committee is responsible for reviewing all applications for appointment and promotion of Core and Collateral Faculty to the ranks

TENURE AND PROMOTION TO TENURE POLICY

DREXEL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

The Board of Trustees and the faculty acknowledge and affirm the important role of tenure in promoting academic freedom, the search for knowledge and a robust academic environment within the Drexel University College of Medicine ("College").

Principles for the Awarding of Tenure or Tenure of Title

Within the College, tenure (as defined below) may be awarded to a faculty member who holds an unqualified faculty title, who is employed by the College on at least a .75 FTE basis, and whose scope of duties for the College is primarily research, or scholarly activity in the field of medical education and curricular development.

Tenure may be awarded to a faculty member who, in the opinion of the College, has demonstrated academic excellence. This may be made manifest through either:

(i) sustained excellence in research and scholarly activity; (ii) sustained record of being well supported by external funding; and (iii) having received external peer recognition at the national level; and in addition the candidate is expected to have shown sustained performance at least at the satisfactory level in teaching and College or community service; and must be judged capable of continuing all such activity over the balance of the course of his or her career.

or:

(i) sustained excellence in the teaching of the College's medical students (excellence in the teaching of graduate students and residents will also be taken into account); and (ii) demonstrated leadership in the College community in the area of education; and (iii) sustained excellence in medical curricular development and scholarly activity; and (iv) having received external peer recognition as an educator at a national or international level; and in addition it is preferable that the candidate has been supported by extramural funding; and must be judged capable of continuing all such activity over the balance of the course of his or her career.

Tenure of Title (as defined below) may be awarded to a faculty member holding an unqualified title and whose scope of duties for the College are primarily clinical or patient care who, in the opinion of the College: (a) has shown sustained excellence in scholarly activity, teaching and College or community service; (b) has achieved national recognition in their field; and (c) who is judged capable of continuing such activity over the balance of his or her career.

Although the focus of the tenure process is aimed at evaluating the individual performance of the faculty member, the changing needs and priorities of the department and College may also affect the decision to grant tenure. As part of the tenure review process, any department proposing faculty for tenure should consider the programmatic and budgetary implications of granting tenure. In addition, it is expected that any faculty member seeking tenure will have demonstrated appropriate collegiality towards colleagues, students, staff and patients throughout their employment at the College. The responsibility always lies with the individual faculty member to demonstrate to the College that he or she has met the requirements for tenure.

In order to implement these aforementioned principles for the awarding of tenure and tenure of title the Tenure Committee of the College shall develop more specific criteria and standards for tenure, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the faculty, the Dean and the Board of Trustees. These standards and criteria shall be published to the College faculty and used as guidelines in making tenure recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

Definitions. Faculty members who acquire Tenure ("Tenure") at the College hold their rank and salary for an indefinite term, absent death, resignation, retirement, dismissal for cause, financial exigency or discontinuance of the department under which the rank and salary are held.

For purposes of this policy, salary shall mean base salary, without clinical, administrative or other supplement. For Tenured faculty, the guaranteed base salary will be either (i) fifty percent (50%) of the median percentile salary for the faculty member's rank and department as determined by the 2006 American Association of Medical Colleges salary survey table for basic science departments in the Northeast region of the country (to be reviewed and modified, if appropriate, at three year intervals by the Board of Trustees in its sole discretion); or (ii) one hundred percent (100%) of the faculty member's salary during the previous fiscal year, which ever is less. This guarantee will extend so long as the faculty member maintains the expected level of teaching, research, or scholarly activity.

Faculty members who acquire Tenure of Title at the College hold that designation as an honorary title at the discretion of the College, and without any right to, interest in, or expectation of any compensation or other property right. Faculty members holding Tenure of Title remain subject to the provisions of Article II, Section 7 of the Faculty Bylaws with regard to the renewal and termination of their faculty appointment.

Tenure track. The decision to hire or place a faculty member on a tenure track position shall be made by the department chair in which the primary appointment is made acting with the concurrence of the Dean. The faculty member's appointment letter shall clearly state the appointment is for a tenure track position and, if applicable, carry a specific statement of the maximum length of service that will be required before a tenure decision is made. Any faculty appointment which does not specify a tenure track will be considered to hold a non-tenure track appointment. Any faculty member may apply to their department chair and the Dean to be placed on a tenure track or taken off tenure track.

Tenure Timeline. Typically, a period of six to nine years shall be served before the award of Tenure. These times can be adjusted to recognize time in rank at other academic institutions or to meet other competitive situations.

Authority to Award Tenure or Tenure of Title. The award of Tenure or Tenure of Title at the College may only be made by the positive action of the College's Board of Trustees, following appropriate review by the candidate's Department, Department Chair, the Tenure Committee of the College, the Executive Committee of the Faculty and the positive review of the Dean and President. Tenure is granted in the Department in which the faculty member has his or her primary appointment.

Tenure Report. The Dean will maintain an analysis of the College's staffing and tenure projections, with particular attention to the aggregate number of tenured and tenure-track appointments. The Dean will forward a report to the President and the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, by June 30 of each year stating the aggregate number of tenured and tenure-track faculty at the College.

Appointment If Tenure Application Denied. A tenure-track faculty member who has either withdrawn from consideration for tenure or been denied tenure remains eligible for employment with the College on an at-will or contractual basis, at the sole discretion of the College. The acceptance of any such employment shall constitute agreement by the faculty member that she/he has no right, title, interest, or expectation in Tenure and complete release of any further obligation owed her/him under the College's Tenure Policy.

Termination of Tenure Appointments by the College. The College will comply with the procedure and process set forth in Article II of the Faculty Bylaws when terminating a faculty member with Tenure and when terminating or non-reappointing a faculty member with Tenure of Title.

Post Tenure Review. Tenured faculty who are identified as needing assistance in the pursuit of personal scholarly growth or in maintaining a level of research or teaching consistent with the College's expectations for its faculty may be given access to such resources for a specified period of time before any process of tenure revocation is pursued. The Tenure Committee of the College shall develop more specific criteria and standards for post tenure review, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and of the faculty, the Dean and the Board of Trustees. These standards and criteria shall be published to the College faculty and used as guidelines in post Tenure review.

Senior Faculty Members in Place. Tenure is hereby confirmed for those current faculty members who either (i) received appointment letters signed by the President of the College that expressly state that the appointment came with tenure or (ii) were awarded tenure by the College's Board of Trustees between November 10, 1998 and April 8, 1999. Records of tenure status for these faculty members are maintained in the Dean's Office. The guaranteed base salary for such faculty members whose scope of duties for the College are not primarily research or scholarly activity in the field of medical education and curricular development will be the percentage of their salary as of the effective date of this policy that is dedicated to educational duties. Any tenure status that was granted by the Allegheny University of the Health Sciences or its predecessors is not recognized by the College.

Amendments. This policy may be amended from time to time as the Board of Trustees, after consultation with the faculty, deems necessary in the best interests of the College. After consultation with the faculty, the administration shall issue and maintain procedures that implement this policy. Faculty members are responsible for familiarizing themselves with applicable Tenure policies and procedures. No provision of this Policy may be waived or modified by any officer, faculty member, employee or agent of the College without the prior approval of the Board of Trustees.

Effective Date. This Policy shall become effective March 1, 2004 (and as amended by Board of Trustees on May 11, 2005).



Faculty Handbook

Tenure

The granting of tenure is at the sole discretion of the School of Medicine and the Board of Trustees. The following applies to tenured faculty.

A. Definition of Tenure

Tenure represents a permanent, forward-looking commitment by the School of Medicine. Granting of tenure is based upon the past achievements of the individual and expectations for future programmatic contributions related to the missions and needs of the department and the School of Medicine. Tenure recognizes and rewards faculty of high quality and demonstrates the School's interest in retaining excellent faculty throughout their productive careers.

Tenure is a professional status involving an assurance of continued service appropriate to rank and is recognized and granted formally by the Board of Trustees of Icahn School of Medicine upon recommendation by the Dean, or in the case of faculty from affiliated institutions conjointly by the Board of Trustees of both institutions upon recommendation by the Dean. Tenure is indispensable to the success of an institution in fulfilling its obligations to students, in maintaining academic freedom, and in contributing to knowledge and human health.

Recommendations for tenure are considered separately from appointment and promotion recommendations.

Faculty at the rank of Associate Professor and Professor in three full-time tracks – Investigator, Clinician and/or Educator and Research – and in the voluntary track may be considered for tenure (see Chapter V, Appointments and Promotions).

B. Financial Obligations of Tenure

Tenure is an academic position available to full-time and voluntary School of Medicine faculty at the ranks of Associate Professor and Professor.

1. Full-Time Faculty

The financial obligation to all tenured full-time faculty is limited to the minimum rate for rank established by the School of Medicine.

For a tenured full-time School of Medicine-based faculty member, the obligation of the School to fund the faculty member's salary will be limited to funds in the faculty member's Department unless the Dean has given prior written approval that other institutional funds may be committed.

For a tenured full-time School of Medicine-based faculty member whose Department or Institute is eliminated, resource allocation, including space and salary, will be reviewed in accordance with relevant policies.

For tenured full-time faculty member whose base salary is paid by an affiliated institution, financial support will be limited by the affiliate institution's funds and will be subject to the written policies of the affiliate institution. Such policies of the affiliate must be consistent with the policies for Icahn School of Medicine-based faculty described above.

2. Voluntary Faculty

Tenure for voluntary faculty members carries no financial obligation for the Department, the affiliate or the School of Medicine.

C. Procedure for the Granting of Tenure

Faculty members eligible for tenure may be recommended by the respective Department Chairperson to the Committee on Appointments, Promotions and Tenure. All applications for tenured positions will be reviewed by an Ad Hoc committee and subsequently reviewed by the full Committee on Appointments, Promotions and Tenure. All subsequent procedures for appointment or promotion to a tenured position will follow the guidelines as outlined in Chapter V, Faculty Appointments and Promotions.

II.C. Tenure System at the University of Pennsylvania

(Source: Procedures Concerning Tenure, Office of the Secretary, 1969 and 1969 Handbook for Faculty and Administration; Standing Resolution of the Trustees, September 9, 1983) -

http://www.upenn.edu/provost/images/uploads/Faculty.Handbook_Fall_2010.pdf

II.C.1. Purpose of the Tenure System

The protection of the academic freedom of individual teachers and scholars is the instrument by which society at large is protected from hindrances to the search for knowledge and from limits on the dissemination of knowledge. The statutes of the University hold that a system of tenure for faculty members is the preeminent means of fostering and protecting academic freedom of the faculty in teaching and in scholarly inquiry.

The tenure system consists of rules and procedures that establish an essentially self-regulated body of scholars enjoying the continuity of existence and economic security within which academic freedom is both fostered and protected. The protections of academic freedom are extended to all members of the faculty during their terms of appointment. The rights and privileges embodied in the tenure system are extended to all members of the Standing Faculty during their terms of appointment. Certain of these rights and privileges are also extended to members of the Associated Faculty during their terms of appointment.

The concomitant responsibility of faculty members, benefited and encouraged by the tenure system, is to use the opportunities thus provided for the advancement of the purposes of the University and of the communities it serves. These purposes include teaching and scholarship. Members of the Standing Faculty are obliged to share in the teaching mission so that their students may advance in learning. They are also obliged to push forward the frontiers of knowledge through study and research. These activities go hand in hand, for scholarship is unavailing if its results are not communicated, and a lively stimulus to learn is best imparted by one who is adding to our store of knowledge.

II.C.2. Basic Principles of the Tenure System

A faculty member who has received tenure has a continuous appointment that extends to retirement unless terminated sooner by resignation, death, or by action of the Trustees under the provisions for removal for just cause or by reason of financial exigency. Only members of the Standing Faculty are eligible to be appointed with tenure. Members of the Standing Faculty—Clinician-Educator, the Associated Faculty or the Academic Support Staff do not acquire tenure; service in any of these three classes is without tenure significance. Each decision creating tenure status for a faculty member is made, upon recommendation of the faculty, the Provost and the President, only by positive action of the Trustees, except in the case of the “rare instances” mentioned below. No faculty member shall be appointed or promoted to the rank of Professor in the

Standing Faculty without a simultaneous affirmative grant or confirmation of tenure status. The faculty of any school of the University may adopt a resolution asking the Provost's approval for promotion of members of the Standing Faculty to the rank of Associate Professor without simultaneous affirmative grant of tenure. After receiving the advice of the Senate, the Provost may authorize this type of promotion for the school in question. The school may then recommend individual members of the Standing Faculty for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor without affirmative grant of tenure by the usual process. In such cases, the faculty member may serve without tenure for the remainder of the probationary period established for the faculty member's previous appointment as Assistant Professor. In schools whose faculty have not received authorization for this type of appointment from the Provost, promotion to the rank of Associate Professor must be accompanied by simultaneous grant of tenure. An initial appointment of a faculty member from outside the University, or a transfer from the Associated Faculty, to the rank of Associate Professor is permissible without conferral of tenure status. In no case, except that of faculty who have not previously held appointments at other institutions, can the total probationary period as Associate Professor in the Standing Faculty exceed five years.

There shall be definite limits upon the length of time any faculty member can serve as a member of the Standing Faculty without tenure. For members of the Standing Faculty initially appointed as Assistant Professor, the probationary period is seven years, except for members of the faculty in the health professional schools who have substantial clinical duties and thus are eligible for and elect a probationary period of ten years. Faculty appointed from outside the Standing Faculty to the rank of Associate Professor without tenure have a probationary period of five years except that faculty appointed to the rank of Associate Professor who have not previously held faculty appointments at other institutions may elect a probationary period of seven years. In cases where a proposed untenured appointment to the Standing Faculty is substantially different from the present appointment of an untenured faculty member, the Provost is authorized to decide, after consultation with the Senate Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility, that the probationary period for the present appointment should not be considered as probation for the proposed appointment because of the degree of professional dissimilarity and to determine whether or not the new untenured appointment would preserve academic freedom. If the Provost decides that the new appointment may be untenured, the new tenure probationary period will be measured without regard to any probationary period already served at the University by the faculty member.

For faculty members serving with reduced duties on a half-time basis, the probationary period shall be extended by one year for each two years spent in such halftime service, except that the total extension cannot exceed three years. For faculty with a normal seven-year probationary period, the total tenure probationary period including the time spent in reduced duties cannot exceed ten years. For faculty with substantial clinical duties, who elect a probationary period of ten years, the total tenure probationary period, including time spent in reduced duties, cannot exceed thirteen years. The University expects that each recommendation for a tenure appointment shall be

made only after the most careful and searching inquiry by the faculty concerned, and thorough review by the Provost and President of the attainments and the capabilities of the candidate in light of the University's perceived academic needs and plans, and in the context of a financial plan commensurate with the new commitment proposed to be undertaken.

Tenure in Part-Time Status—In very rare instances prior to July 1, 1976, the University granted tenure to persons serving on a part-time basis. In such cases the University's financial commitment has only been for corresponding partial salary. Since July 1, 1976, part-time service, has never been considered tenure-probationary except for faculty who after appointment to tenure probationary status received approval for a reduced load (*See* II.E.2, Reduction in Duties).

Tenure of Title and Limited Tenure—The University reserves the right to employ individuals to whom rank in the Associated Faculty is accorded without accepting responsibility for the continuation of their salaries beyond the termination of the contract or grant supporting them, but in such cases the letter of appointment or the Trustees' minute must contain a specific statement to this effect.

Prior to July 1, 1976 appointments were sometimes made of the form "Tenure of Title," "tenure limited to" or "indefinite tenure of academic rank salary limited to" in which the appointments or salary commitments were limited to funds from research grants or contracts, clinical practice funds, or funds from certain administrative appointments. The terms and limitations of the appointments made prior to July 1, 1976 shall continue to be observed. All new appointments made after July 1, 1976 and before July 1, 1989 with such limitations shall be without tenure significance and to the Associated Faculty. Commencing with July 1, 1989, all existing "Tenure of Title" and Limited Tenure appointments shall be in the Standing Faculty.

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Instructional Titles

Officers of instruction are appointed to the grades of office defined in the University Statutes. Instruction may be offered only by individuals who hold an appointment in one of those grades. Officers of research, administration, and the libraries who are asked to teach a course, in full or in part, in addition to performing their regular duties, are given a second, part-time instructional appointment. Such an appointment is held only for the period during which the officer is teaching.

No officer of instruction may simultaneously hold more than one grade of instructional appointment.

The University does not make courtesy appointments as officers of instruction. Only those individuals who are providing instructional services may hold appointments in the grades defined below.

Appointments as officers of instruction may be grouped into five categories: research faculty, clinical faculty, practice faculty, special instructional faculty, and student officers of instruction. The first four are described here; the fifth is discussed in Chapter VII.

Appointment to a named professorship is a means of recognizing unusual academic distinction. New named professorships are proposed, on receipt of an endowment, by the dean or vice president of the division of the University in which its holder will serve, and are established by the Trustees, on the recommendation of the Provost and President, on such terms as the donor specifies in the gift document and the Trustees deem appropriate. The Jay Professorship of the Greek and Latin Languages, established in 1830, was the first to be created at Columbia. There are currently over 500 named professorships, most of which are held by members of the research faculty with the rank of full professor.

The Trustees make all appointments to named professorships. Nominations normally originate from the deans and vice presidents and require the approval of the Provost and President before they can be submitted to the Trustees. Before deciding whether to make a nomination, the dean or vice president may, at his or her discretion, consult with the named professors of equivalent or higher rank in the department or school in which the candidate will serve. If the number of named professors in a department or school is too few to ensure that the nomination has adequate support to merit consideration, the dean or vice president may seek the advice of named professors of equivalent or higher rank in cognate disciplines.

Research Faculty

There are four principal grades of appointment in the research faculty:

Professors are scholars and teachers holding the doctorate or its professional equivalent who are widely recognized for their distinction. While they are ordinarily appointed for full-time service without stated term (i.e., with tenure or tenure of title), full-time appointments may also be made in certain instances at this rank for a stated term, which is renewable and is subject to the statutory limits on nontenured service.

department to obtain the approval of the Provost to conduct a new review before it solicits any further letters of evaluation, votes on the candidate, or begins to prepare for a new nomination in any other way. Requests from departments for new reviews require the endorsement of the dean or vice president before they are forwarded to the Provost. In support of such requests, the nominating school or department submits a statement that explains why it believes the new work meets the standard for a second review. That statement should deal only with the new materials and not with the work considered during the first review. The Provost may seek the advice of selected scholars in the candidate's field before reaching a decision on whether to reopen consideration of the nomination.

When the rationale for the new review is scholarly growth, the Provost normally reconvenes the original *ad hoc* committee to conduct a second review, replacing only those members who are not available. The committee does not reassess the quality of the materials submitted in support of the original nomination. Instead, the new evaluation focuses on the work completed after the first *ad hoc* and on whether it is of sufficient quality to overcome the reservations that led to the initial negative decision on the candidate's nomination.

The *ad hoc* review can only provide the type of rigorous yet fair examination needed to ensure tenure decisions of the highest quality if all of its aspects are kept confidential. Confidentiality is also an act of civility to everyone involved in the review, especially the candidate and those who are asked to evaluate his or her credentials. Consequently, only those who are directly involved in a review are informed of the membership of a committee and when it is scheduled to meet. Information about the committee's deliberations and vote is similarly restricted to its members, the Provost, and the President. Committee members, witnesses, deans, department chairs, and any others who are involved with a review in any way are expected to maintain confidentiality at all times.

While candidates are not told of the membership, date, and deliberations of their *ad hoc* committees, the Office of the Provost does inform them of the process by which their nominations are evaluated. Following the receipt of a nomination, the Senior Vice Provost for Academic Administration sends the candidate a copy of the *Ad Hoc Guidelines* and invites the individual to call with any questions about how the evaluation will be conducted. The candidate may also ask to meet with the Senior Vice Provost to discuss the process. Further information may be obtained from the deans or department chairs who have a special responsibility, consistent with the requirement of confidentiality, for advising their candidates on how *ad hoc* reviews are conducted.

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Appointment with Tenure of Title

Certain full-time officers of instruction in the Faculties of Dental Medicine, Medicine, Nursing, and Public Health who are not eligible for tenure may nonetheless receive tenure of title. While those appointments are without stated term, they do not provide a guarantee of salary from the University.

The appointments of officers with tenure of title may be involuntarily terminated for cause or the discontinuation of an academic department (see "Termination," below). In addition, those who hold University appointments as members of an affiliated hospital or institute may lose their appointments if the affiliation agreement comes to an end or if they cease to be connected with the hospital or institute.

Officers eligible for tenure of title are considered first by their department or division, then by their school, and then, if nominated, by the Medical Center's Committee on Appointments and Promotions. In the Faculty of Medicine, all nominations for tenure of title are also reviewed by the Faculty Council before they are proposed to the Trustees for appointment without stated term.

If the faculty member will have an unmodified title, the Provost will conduct an *ad hoc* review before deciding whether to forward the nomination to the President. The

Trustees make the final decision, on the recommendation of the Provost and President, on whether the faculty member should receive tenure of title.

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Leaves of Absence

The President has the power to grant leaves of absence for reasonable cause and for such length of time as he judges the occasion may require. He has delegated that responsibility to the Provost for officers of instruction, research, and the libraries. This section of the *Handbook* describes the policies governing faculty leaves. Chapter IV contains similar information for officers of research.

The primary objective of the University's policies on leaves is to free its academic officers from their normal duties to conduct research, write, or otherwise engage in scholarly or professional activity. There are three types of faculty leaves for scholarly and professional purposes: sabbaticals, research leaves with or without salary, and exemptions from teaching duties. In addition, faculty are given leaves for medical reasons, child care, military or public service, and compelling personal need.

Leaves contribute to the University's dual mission of research and education by allowing faculty to pursue their scholarly goals and acquire knowledge that makes them better teachers. With the exception of sabbaticals, however, leaves for scholarly purposes are not an entitlement. They are granted at the discretion of the Provost on assurance from the department or school that they will not interfere with the staffing of its curricular obligations. If the number of faculty interested in taking leaves compromises the ability of a department or school to meet its responsibilities, the chair or dean may require some to defer their proposed leaves until a later time. In such cases, sabbaticals are given priority over other types of leaves.

Eligibility

Only full-time faculty are ordinarily entitled to leaves. As a general rule, part-time officers of instruction must resign or refuse appointment if they cannot carry out their duties during the stated terms of their appointments. Exceptions to this policy are permitted primarily when a part-time faculty member:

- is a member of the United Doctors Association of Harlem Hospital and meets the requirements for taking leaves stated in their collective bargaining agreement with the University;
- qualifies for a leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, as described later in this section of the *Handbook*; or
- qualifies for a military leave under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (see "Other Leaves," below).

Full-time faculty may request leaves of absence for scholarly purposes and exemptions from teaching duties (ETDs) if they hold an appointment in a professorial rank, with the exception of those with visiting titles. This privilege is not ordinarily available to full-time faculty in nonprofessorial ranks. Exceptions require the prior permission of the dean or vice president and the Provost.

Professors and associate professors with tenure or with tenure of title who have successfully passed an *ad hoc* review are eligible for sabbatical leaves. Clinical faculty with tenure of title may not take sabbaticals.

All full-time faculty, regardless of rank, may receive leaves for medical reasons, child care, military or public service, or compelling personal need.

General Policies and Procedures

Sabbaticals, leaves of absence for scholarly purposes, and exemptions from teaching duties normally correspond to an academic term or year. The University also seeks to coordinate child care and public service leaves with the academic calendar. Other