



SUBJECT: Faculty Emeritus Status	Effective Date:	Policy Number: 4-502.3
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	Responsible Authority: Provost and Executive Vice President	

APPLICABILITY/ACCOUNTABILITY

This policy applies to all UCF faculty members and vice presidents who wish to be considered for an emeritus status appropriate to their rank or position.

POLICY STATEMENT

The title emeritus is provided to ~~individuals-retired faculty, or in anticipation of the retirement of a faculty member, effective upon full retirement from the university who have achieved a eminence~~ distinguished record of research, teaching and/or service during their academic careers, ~~and it.~~ The title serves as an honor to the individual and to the university.

This policy applies to all UCF faculty members as defined in the Faculty Senate Bylaws, as well as administrators, instructional specialists and instructional designers, who wish to be considered for an emeritus status appropriate to their rank or position, and who:

Faculty members and vice presidents who wish to be considered for emeritus status must:

- apply within two years before fully retiring from UCF, or up to five years after fully retiring from UCF (where fully retiring means not within

DROP or phased retirement);

- ~~• be fully retired and not within DROP or phased retirement; —~~
- ~~• have been a permanent employee at UCF for a minimum of five years; —~~
- ~~• have held the rank of professor, associate professor, university librarian, or — associate university librarian for five years or have held the equivalent rank of professor or associate professor a minimum of five years if non-tenured immediately prior to retirement; —~~
- have an established record of distinguished performance in teaching, research, scholarship, or other professional achievement including contributions and service to UCF and the UCF community.

The president may grant (or deny) emeritus status on an exception basis and may rescind emeritus status at any time. ^(SEP)

PROCEDURES

Nominations or applications are made during the Fall semester to the head of the unit with which the candidate is affiliated. The candidate will provide to the unit head an application that contains the specific title sought by the applicant, a one page summary of accomplishments, current curriculum vitae, and other evidence to support the major distinguished professional contributions and university activities while at UCF.

The unit head will present the candidate's application to the ~~tenured and tenure-earning~~ unit members, and a secret vote by all voting members of the unit (as defined by the unit's bylaws) will be taken. The results of the vote and the candidate's application will be forwarded to the dean or equivalent administrator. The dean or equivalent administrator will provide a detailed letter including the support or lack of support for the candidate's application, the results of the vote, and supporting information regarding the appropriateness of the award to Faculty Excellence by February 1.

An advocate who is educated on the merits of the candidate will present the candidate's application to the committee. The Commencements, Convocations, and Recognitions Committee will consider the merits of each application as

documented by the nominee, member vote, and responsible administrator. Only faculty members on the committee may vote on applications for emeritus status.

The chair of the Commencements, Convocations, and Recognitions Committee will transmit the committee's recommendation to the provost or appropriate vice president, who, in turn, will make recommendations to the president. The president will determine the awarding of emeritus status, considering all the evidence assembled.

The chair of the Commencements, Convocations, and Recognitions Committee will inform the chair of the Faculty Senate or appropriate vice president of the president's recommendation. No award will be considered final and official until it is formally announced by the president. Candidates will be notified in writing of the decision to award or not award emeritus status by the chair of the Commencements, Convocations, and Recognitions Committee.

~~If awarded, the title of emeritus status shall be placed after the functional title of the awardee.~~

PRIVILEGES

Individuals awarded emeritus status will be afforded the following privileges, in addition to the privileges afforded to all retired faculty, as specified in the UCF Collective Bargaining Agreement (section 24.4):

- use of university affiliation in all publications and other works~~use of the John C. Hitt Library, ^[1] _[2]~~
- retention of their current UCF email address (subject to UCF Email Provisioning, De-provisioning, and Use Policy, 4-106);
- emeritus university ID card;
- ~~computer account for email, —~~
- departmental office or laboratory space where possible and requested~~;~~;
- conducting university or departmental seminars by mutual agreement,
- status as a non-voting ex-officio member of ~~her or his~~the department from which they retired;
- invitations to academic and university functions in their areas of interest;

Commented [PESC1]: Note: these privileges are subject to bargaining. They currently include: 23.4

(a) Employees who are retired from the University shall be eligible, upon request, and on the same basis as employees, subject to University policies, to receive the following benefits at the University.

- (1) Retiree identification card;
- (2) Use of the University library (i.e., public rooms, lending and research service);
- (3) Listing in the University directory;
- (4) Placement on designated University mailing lists;
- (5) A free University parking decal for use by the retiree;
- (6) Use of University recreational facilities (retirees may be charged fees different from those charged to other employees for the use of such facilities);
- (7) The ability to enroll in courses at the University without payment of fees, on a space available basis, subject to the provisions of Florida Statutes;
- (8) A mailbox in the department/unit from which they retired, subject to availability; and
- (9) University sponsored e-mail address. The University shall forward e-mails from the employee e-mail account (name@ucf.edu) to the retiree's e-mail account for 12 months.

(b) In accordance with University policy, and on a space available basis, the University is encouraged to grant a retiree's request for office or laboratory space.

(c) With the exception of retirees who participated in the Optional Retirement Program and for whom provisions have been made, as stipulated in Section 24.5(a)(5) of this Agreement, retirees of any State-administered retirement system are entitled to health insurance subsidy payments in accordance with Section 112.363, Florida Statutes.

- may march in academic processions with other faculty, such as commencement ceremonies;
- faculty privileges in discounts (such as for tickets, bookstore purchases, and athletic events), and exemption from parking fees.

If awarded, the title that the emeritus faculty members may hold are of the form “last title held, Emeritus”, for example Professor Emeritus, Associate Research Professor Emeritus, Instructor Emeritus, or Associate University Librarian Emeritus, etc. Those who retire from named chair positions may retain the chair title, suffixed by “Emeritus”, for example “Chatlos Foundation Endowed Chair, Emeritus”. The title emeritus confers a lifetime academic appointment. However, any retired faculty member awarded emeritus status in a named professorship or chair will not receive a stipend for the endowment for the professorship or chair after retiring.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

UCF Faculty Senate Resolution 1994-1995-9:

http://facultysenate.ucf.edu/resolutions/1994_1995/index.asp

UCF Faculty Senate Resolution 2011-2012-6:

http://facultysenate.ucf.edu/resolutions/2011_2012/index.asp

INITIATING AUTHORITY

President