

Criteria for Determining Membership on the Graduate Faculty

SCHOOL OF CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL AND MATERIALS ENGINEERING

1. To be granted membership on the Graduate Faculty, the faculty member in most cases must have the Ph.D. degree or equivalent in a field appropriate to the education and research mission of the School of Chemical, Biological and Materials Engineering.
2. Faculty who have been granted membership on the Graduate Faculty may serve on graduate committees, teach graduate courses, and direct master's thesis research. All Graduate Faculty will serve on the School's Graduate Faculty Committee.
3. Faculty who have been granted membership on the Graduate Faculty will be eligible to direct Ph.D. dissertation research provided they present evidence of continuing scholarly achievement. Minimum evidence may be demonstrated by achievement in at least two of the following categories in the preceding 5 years:
 - a. A combination of publications in refereed journals or patents issued to total three.
 - b. At least one scholarly book or review article.
 - c. At least two papers or posters at regional, national, or international research conferences.
 - d. Service as a reviewer for at least two proposals for major external funding agencies.
 - e. At least one external grant or contract to support research activities.

There are many ways in which a faculty member could meet the spirit of these requirements without necessarily meeting the numerical goals; that is, demonstrate activity in research of sufficient quality to merit professional recognition and uphold high ethical standards in all aspects of the activity. In instances where a faculty member's research achievements are considered clearly exceptional by other Graduate Faculty members in the School, the above requirements may be waived. Waiver must be recommended by the School's Graduate Faculty Committee.

4. New tenure-track faculty at the entry level will be eligible to direct Ph.D. dissertation research.
5. Committee A will originate recommendations for membership on the Graduate Faculty and recommendations for approval to direct Ph.D. dissertation research. Committee A may also recommend suspension of the privilege of directing Ph.D. dissertation research. A recommendation for suspension must be endorsed by the Graduate Faculty Committee.