

Graduate Faculty  
Appointment and Reappointment  
Criteria and Standards

Department of Geology and Geography

College/School of Sciences and Mathematics

Date Approved by Department: as per attached memorandum

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Date Approved by Graduate Council: 11/20/02

Dean, the Graduate School: 

I. Levels of Membership

The Department will recognize one level of membership on the Graduate Faculty.

Level 1: The faculty member may teach at the 7000 level, may serve on both masters and doctoral committees and may direct masters theses.

II. Criteria and Standards for Initial Appointment and Reappointment

Level 1

Initial Appointment

- A. Terminal Degree Recognized by the Department
- B. Faculty Appointment at the Rank of Assistant Professor or Above

Reappointment

- A. Prior Service at Level 1
- B. Candidate has during the term of appointment contributed to the graduate program through:

- Either* 1. Maintaining a level of teaching quality commensurate with departmental peers in graduate courses as evidenced by relevant student and/or peer teaching evaluations  
*or*
- 2. Contributing in an active and positive fashion to graduate advisory committees served upon

AND

- Either* 3. Providing sound and competent direction to students directed at the masters level.  
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4. Demonstrated an acceptable level of scholarly professional activity as determined by the departmental graduate faculty on an instance by instance basis.

**III. Term of Appointment**

Level 1: The term of appointment shall be 7 years

**IV. Procedures for Nomination: Initial Appointment and Reappointment**

Level 1: The Department Head (Chair) shall nominate candidates for initial appointment or for reappointment. The nomination dossier should contain a copy of the nominee's updated tenure and promotion document (as outlined in the Faculty Handbook, pp. 3:14 - 3:17, Information to be supplied by candidate) or a current cv which contains equivalent material. The Department Head (Chair) shall also complete a standard nomination form which outlines the department's criteria and standards and how the nominee has specifically met those criteria and standards. The Department Head (Chair) in signing the nomination form certifies the accuracy of information contained in the nomination package and that the procedures, criteria and standards contained within the approved departmental plan have been followed and met. The Department Head (Chair) will forward, the nomination to the Graduate School for review and action by the Graduate Dean.