

UWEX FACULTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Chapter UWEX 1

DEFINITIONS

- 1.01 Academic department.** An academic department, hereinafter referred to as "department," is a group of faculty members recognized by the faculty, the chancellor, and the board of regents, as dealing with a common field of knowledge or as having a common or closely related disciplinary or interdisciplinary interest which recommends faculty for rank and academic tenure. Departments are established, restructured, and discontinued by the chancellor in consultation within the appropriate voting bodies.
- 1.02 Faculty governance unit.** A faculty governance unit is a group of voting body members dealing with a common field of knowledge or having interdisciplinary programming responsibilities. It differs from a department in that it does not grant faculty rank or academic tenure. However, faculty governance units may recommend faculty rank and tenure action to the department and the appropriate administrator. Faculty governance units are established, restructured, and discontinued by the chancellor in consultation with the appropriate voting bodies.
- 1.03 Board of Regents or board.** "Board of Regents" or "board" means the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System.
- 1.04 Chancellor.** The chief executive officer of Extension is the chancellor, hereinafter referred to as "chancellor."
- 1.05 Dean.** "Dean" means the executive head of any administrative grouping of faculty, and includes, but is not limited to, persons titled "dean."
- 1.06 Faculty status.** "Faculty status" means a right to participate in the faculty governance of Extension, according to its policies and procedures and its articles of faculty governance. Faculty status does not confer faculty rank or tenure, or convert an academic staff appointment into a faculty appointment.
- 1.07 Institution.** "Institution" means any university, or an organizational equivalent designated by the board. As used throughout these policies and procedures, "Extension" means the institution designated as University of Wisconsin-Extension.
- 1.08 Notice periods.** When an act is required by these policies and procedures to be done within a specified number of days:
- (1) Day shall mean calendar day,
 - (2) The first day shall be the day after the event, such as receipt of a notice or conclusion of a hearing.
 - (3) Each day after the first day shall be counted, except that a Sunday or legal holiday shall not be counted if it would be the final day of the period.
- 1.09 President.** "President" means the President of the University of Wisconsin System.
- 1.10 Senate.** The Senate consists of members of the voting body elected by the voting body to exercise the governance powers vested in the faculty.

- 1.11 Staff categories.** The following staff categories are established within Extension:
- (1) "Faculty" ("tenure track" or "ranked") means persons who hold the following ranks:
 - (a) Professor
 - (b) Associate professor
 - (c) Assistant professor
 - (d) Instructor
 - (2) "Academic staff" means professional and administrative personnel, other than faculty and classified staff, with duties that are primarily associated with higher education institutions or their administration. Academic staff appointments include, but are not limited to, the position titles identified in 36.15(1)(b), Wis.Stats.
 - (3) Limited appointments, including, but not limited to, the position titles identified in 36.17(2), Wis. Stats.
 - (4) Other appointments, including, but not limited to, the position titles identified in 36.19 Wis. Stats.
 - (5) Emeritus faculty and emeritus academic staff.
- 1.12 University Committee.** The University Committee is the executive committee of the Faculty Senate.
- 1.13 Voting body.**
- (1) The voting body consists of the following individuals who hold appointments of one-half time or more in the University of Wisconsin-Extension:
 - (a) The ranked faculty; and
 - (b) Academic staff members who have been granted "faculty status" by the senate and the chancellor upon the recommendation of the appropriate department or faculty governance unit.

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