Statement of Unit/College Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology

Associate Professor (RT) of Anatomy and Cell Biology

The following are Departmental Guidelines for promotion to Associate Professor with tenure and are consistent with the College of Medicine Criteria and Guidelines for appointment and promotion to this rank. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research and scholarship. Excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion.

Research

Establishment of a research program is a fundamental requirement for promotion. Candidates for tenure must show productivity in their area of specialization by high quality publication. Although actual numbers of papers are not specified, it is expected that publications appear at a consistent rate. Some exceptional journals in Cell Biology and Neuroscience, for example, tend to accept papers that are very comprehensive and that demand many years of research. These papers should be considered in that context. In that case, the candidate should show other evidence of activity and stature in the scientific community at large, such as presentations at meetings and invitations to symposia or other forums.

Faculty at the Associate Professor rank should be actively engaged in research. Establishment of a research program is a fundamental requirement for promotion. Faculty should be contributing significant new information to the scientific literature, should have demonstrated promise of becoming leaders in their fields, and should have attained some recognition at the national level. Achievement in research is also measured by success in obtaining extramural funding such as NIH, DOD or other organizations.

Teaching

The basis of excellence in a Research university must have excellence in teaching as its underpinnings. In the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty have substantial teaching requirement. This includes lectures, as well as laboratory small group instruction. Therefore, an important criterion for promotion to tenure is substantive contribution to our teaching mission. This implies not only preparation of scholarly lectures, but strong efforts to communicate the information in a clear and understandable manner. We judge this by peer review and student evaluations.

The commitment to teaching is greatly increased for a Course Director. In special cases, teaching, as well as organization of the course, may be the primary concern for consideration to tenure.
However, in these cases significant research activity is also expected as evidenced, at least, by peer-reviewed publications.

Contributions in teaching are also reflected in graduate training. Such training includes commitment to graduate education in the form of participation in courses within or outside the Department and the development of curriculum consistent with the educational goals of the Department. Creation of a graduate course in the faculty’s area of expertise, alone or in collaboration with colleagues also in that field, is an example of such a creative contribution.

Another aspect of graduate and postgraduate education is the teaching of research through mentorship and service on dissertation committees. Accomplishment in this area is measured by the quality of presentations at national meetings and papers published by trainees, their ability to obtain extramural funding to support their research during the training period and/or their success in securing positions upon completion of training.

Service

Because junior faculty are expected to establish a research program supported by extramural funding and participate in the teaching program, service requirements at the Assistant professor level are minimal. Nevertheless, service to the University and broader academic community in the form of external reviews of manuscripts and grants and membership on advisory committees, for example, are also reflective of the candidate’s stature and potential for leadership. In addition, leadership in the development of innovative facilities that impact on the entire university community is an important consideration.
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Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology

Professor (RT) of Anatomy and Cell Biology

The following are Departmental Guidelines for promotion to Professor with tenure and are consistent with the College of Medicine Criteria and Guidelines for appointment and promotion to this rank. Promotion to Professor is based on achievements in research, teaching and service and signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment. The Department recognizes that, at this level, the Candidate’s career may focus on two out of these three areas. However, the candidate must demonstrate innovation, leadership and distinction in two areas and some productivity in the third. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research and scholarship. Excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion.

Research

Faculty at the Professor rank should show a track record of productivity evidenced by publications in peer-reviewed journals. Although actual numbers of papers are not specified, it is expected that publications appear at a consistent rate. Some exceptional journals in Cell Biology and Neuroscience, for example, tend to accept papers that are very comprehensive and that demand many years of research. These papers should be considered in that context. The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are more important than overall quantity of articles. Invited reviews, presentations at national and international meetings and other creative endeavors are further evidence of leadership and scholarship at the senior level. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is particularly important for advancement in rank to Professor. Achievement in research is also measured by success in obtaining extramural funding such as NIH, DOD or other organizations.

Teaching

Promotion to Professor requires significant contributions to the educational mission of the department. This mission includes teaching medical students, graduate students, and postdoctoral fellows. Demonstrated excellence in classroom teaching may be documented by peer review, student evaluations and innovations that significantly impact and elevate the quality of the educational experience. Success in graduate and postgraduate training is measured by the quality of trainee presentations at national meetings and papers published by trainees, their ability to obtain extramural funding to support their research during the training period and/or their success in securing positions upon completion of training.
Service

Candidates for Professor are expected to participate in service to the Department, College and/or the University, as well as to the broader scientific community. Excellence is judged on the basis of the leadership role of the candidate in developing or implementing policies of committees and task forces. Evidence for achievement in service outside the University community includes, for example, membership on study sections and other national advisory boards, serving as a reviewer of manuscripts for and/or membership on editorial boards.
PROMOTIONS: The Department of Anesthesiology

General Information
The Department of Anesthesiology differs from some clinical departments in the Medical School in that clinical faculty (tenure track and clinical discipline track) are required to be in the operating room (or other patient care locations) the overwhelming majority of their time. Anesthesiology faculty have a substantial clinical commitment that includes direct patient care in addition to the teaching of medical students, residents, and fellows in the operating room, pain clinic, and intensive care unit. Thus, achievement and excellence in clinical care and teaching are two primary measures for academic advancement in the clinical/teaching (CT, tenure) and clinical discipline (CD, nontenure) tracks.

Academic Tenure Tracks (Research/Teaching or Clinical/Teaching):
There are two different tracks in the Academic Tenure Track Series. The Research/Teaching Track is for PhD faculty pursuing research and teaching, with no clinical obligation. The Clinical/Teaching Track is for MD faculty providing clinical care and conducting scholarly activity in their non-clinical time. Six year probationary period. Faculty are required to demonstrate excellence in research (creating new knowledge) as evidenced by publications in peer-reviewed journals and excellence in teaching.

Research Teaching (RT): [National Funding, Publications, Teaching/Mentoring]
Faculty should have made a significant contribution to their research discipline; obtained extramural, peer-reviewed funding; published in the major scientific journals of their research specialty; and demonstrated excellence in teaching or mentoring. External funding for the faculty member’s research program is the key component in this track with the expectation that promotion to Associate Professor requires two grants from NIH or equivalent stature. Promotion to Professor requires maintenance of funding and national recognition as an expert in one’s field (e.g., service on NIH grant review study sections, hold major appointment in a national society). Faculty are expected to demonstrate a consistent publication track record in high quality journals. Additional achievements include invited papers, research seminars and national advisory boards. Service to the University is also important, but not sufficient for promotion in the absence of research and teaching. Service to the department includes training clinical faculty in research techniques and assisting them in publishing as well as helping residents and medical students who are interested in research.

Clinical Teaching (CT): [Service, Clinical Practice, Teaching, Publications, +/- Funding]
Faculty in this track should have made a significant contribution to the development and/or application of creative advances in medical care and to the fostering of such clinical care by education of students, residents, and fellows. This aim is achieved through teaching excellence, scholarly activity (in education or advancement of medical practice), and/or research activities.
Although peer reviewed funding is not a requirement, these faculty are expected to obtain funding that may include pharmaceutical/manufacturer and noncompetitive grants. Editing textbooks and writing book chapters, clinical case reports, and abstracts have the equal weight for advancement as peer-reviewed research publications. The Department of Anesthesiology requires the demonstration of a consistent publication record for the advancement from assistant to associate professor. Promotion to full professor requires additional publications that demonstrate the faculty is a recognized expert in their specialty.

Service to the University, Medical Center, College of Medicine, and Anesthesiology Department is required. This may include management of a clinical service, being responsible for direction of a departmental educational program, serving on committees (possibly being chairperson), and demonstrating leadership within the department, hospital, and College.

**Nontenure Tracks:**

Research (non-tenure, used for research scientists):
Faculty can be promoted in a non-tenure research track. These faculty publish in peer-reviewed journals and have to obtain external funding for their research. They can achieve promotion by either 1) demonstrating achievement in an independent research program with national recognition or 2) demonstrating significant contributions and impact on an established research program (e.g., is an essential member of the research team). The emphasis is on research productivity, with reduced expectations for teaching and service. Department criteria for promotion in this track are consistent with and do not exceed College of Medicine norms for promotion.

Clinical Discipline (CD non-tenure, > 50% time at UIC):
Appointment or promotion of faculty in the Clinical Discipline (CD) track depends primarily on teaching and patient care. Faculty are not required to conduct research resulting in publications in a refereed journal. Evidence of scholarly work may include participation in clinical research trials, editing or writing chapters in textbooks, presentations at meetings or symposia, curricular development and a scholarly approach to the teaching and practice of medicine. They must receive local recognition as a clinician and/or teacher. They must demonstrate excellence in teaching and patient care by the development of a high quality clinical practice. Service to the Department, the University, the College, and the Medical Center are important criteria for academic advancement in the Clinical Discipline track. The candidate should have administrative duties which may include the management of a clinical service, or the responsibility for direction of an educational program within the department, hospital and college. The individual should also have a leadership role within the Department, as evidenced by service on committees, with possibly being a chairperson.

Clinical Track (50% or <50% at UIC or voluntary staff):
This track is used for faculty involved in patient care and teaching and have little or no involvement in research. Faculty are voluntary or salaried ≤ 50% for University related activities. They are on fixed term appointments and not in the tenure track.
Appointment or promotion of faculty in the Clinical Track depends primarily on teaching and patient care and on stature in the practice of medicine. Since individuals in this track usually have major professional commitments outside the University, comprehensive contributions to the College are not expected. Instead, demonstrated excellence in teaching or service will generally meet promotional requirements. Department criteria for promotion in this track are consistent with and do not exceed College of Medicine norms.
Tenure System

Associate Professor With Tenure (RT track)
For promotion to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure, the individual nominated should have demonstrated his/her scholarship through sustained growth in publications, sponsored research, graduate advisement, teaching effectiveness and faculty governance. There should be a clear perspective that the individual is well on his/her way to national prominence in his/her field. It is a necessary condition that the individual be an effective teacher.

Professor With Tenure (RT Track)
For promotion to the rank of Professor, one should have maintained growth in his/her scholarship through sustained growth in publications, sponsored research, graduate advisement, teaching effectiveness and faculty governance. The individual should have achieved national and international prominence in his/her field. It is a necessary condition that the individual be an effective teacher. Participation in faculty governance and professional organizations is expected. Creating new knowledge, applications of knowledge, and transmission of knowledge are all aspects of scholarship which can be taken into consideration.

Non-tenure Clinical track

The Clinical Track in Bioengineering is used for faculty dedicated to teaching and bioengineering- and bioinformatics education-related research.

Clinical Associate Professor
Faculty appointed to this rank should have the equivalent of a minimum of six years of full-time experience at the rank of Clinical Assistant Professor. The candidate should have a track record of significant teaching experience, demonstrated effectiveness in classroom instruction, and proven leadership in departmental service related to course and curriculum development, program accreditation, student advising, or other related activities.

Clinical Professor
Faculty appointed to this rank should have the equivalent of a minimum of six years of full-time experience at the rank of Clinical Associate Professor. The candidate should have a strong track record of continuous and significant experience in classroom instruction and/or course development. It is expected that the candidate is recognized for excellence in teaching ability and departmental service, and has achieved a nationally recognized record of scholarly activity as related to teaching and learning, which would normally include both publications and grants.
Department of Dermatology
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

PROFESSOR (CT)

1. Teaching Ability:
   a. Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Department Curriculum conferences and multi disciplinary conferences as applied
   b. Participates in appropriate Basic Science teaching lectures and seminars when requested.
   c. Participates in /teaches medical student and resident lectures and teaches courses, seminars and sessions as assigned and/or when appropriate
   d. Fulfills clinic teaching, inpatient consult teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows as well as other peers
   e. Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) and department head reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities, organization and teaching program development
   f. Teaches through a busy clinic work flow in medical, surgical and procedural dermatology as applied. In Dermatology specialty -and per ACGME guidelines- a significant component of teaching is taking place during actual clinical care and interaction.
   g. Addresses gaps and goals with regard to Diversity and Inclusion.

2. Service:
   Patient care
   a. Examines patients in clinics and inpatient consults providing care at bedside, in the broad spectrum of dermatologic diseases in efficient manner and per standards set by national benchmarks and the institution
   b. Performs routine dermatologic procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate.
   c. Takes care of patients through multidisciplinary approach /clinics as appropriate and interacts productively in multidisciplinary care with participation in specific board /committees as indicated
   d. Creates and brings new clinical services to the patient care and teaching of trainees
   e. Builds subspecialty areas of excellence
   f. Participates in volunteering patient care activities and as organized by Department when applicable
   g. Practices Diversity and Inclusion in patient care and simultaneous teaching with trainees

To the Department, College of Medicine and Medical Students
   a. Participates in Department, Hospital and College committees and activities as assigned
   b. Holds major administrative role for the Department
   c. Designs new services for the Department and proceeds with productive interdepartmental collaborations
   d. Participates in resident /medical student interviews for recruitment in the program
   e. Provides key role in recruiting faculty for the department that is considered critical to patient care, service and teaching requirements for trainees
f. Organizes and leads along with department leadership important events for the Department (eg Department reunion events, held at national level)
g. Participates in clinical operations leadership  
h. Participates in educational operations leadership  
i. Participates in initiation and agreements for expanding clinical services  
j. Participates in initiation and agreement for expanding teaching services  
k. Holds major role in organization, planning and participation during program reviews and evaluations (internal and external) at clinical service level and educational /teaching level in order to assure program/ department / clinic accreditation and requirement fulfillment in the Institution and per national standards

To the University & Community:  
a. Appropriate community service is desirable  
b. Lectures to community, podcasts and other activities as indicated  
c. Service on local/ regional/ national dermatological societies or related societies committees, study groups

3. Scholarly Activity (Research):

a. Publications: Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, challenging cases, book chapters, book reviews etc., is essential. While the number is not defined, content and quality are considered.  
b. Research: Clinically oriented research (basic science research and collaborations with basic science departments are desirable but not strictly required on CT)  
This could include evaluation of clinical results, clinical diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, collaboration with other disciplines.  
c. References attest to the contributions of the candidate.  
d. Research activity grants are optional and not required (especially for faculty with strong clinical commitment and service). Funding / contracted departmental support is considered in CT.
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence
PROFESSOR (RT)

1 Teaching Ability:
   a. Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Department Curriculum conferences and multi disciplinary conferences as applied
   b. Participates in appropriate Basic Science teaching lectures and seminars as agreed and when requested.
   c. Participates in /teaches medical student and resident lectures and teaches courses, seminars and sessions as assigned and/or when appropriate
   d. Fulfills clinic teaching, inpatient consult teaching and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows as well as other peers
   e. Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) and department head reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2 Service:
   Patient care (as applied)
   a. Examines patients in clinics and inpatient consults in the broad spectrum of dermatologic diseases in efficient manner and per standards set by national benchmarks and the institution
   b. Performs routine dermatologic procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate.
   c. Takes care of patients through multidisciplinary approach /clinics as appropriate.
   d. Creates and brings new clinical services
   e. Builds subspecialty areas of excellence
   f. Participates to Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care as assigned by the Department
   g. Participates in volunteering patient care activities and as organized by Department when applicable

To the Department, College of Medicine and Medical Students
Participates in Department, Hospital and College committees and activities as assigned.

To the University & Community:
   A Appropriate community service is desirable with physical presence or media
   B Lectures to community, podcasts and other activities as indicated
   C Evidence and other references that attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician. Service on local, regional and especially national dermatological societies or related societies / committees, study groups

3. Scholarly Activity (Research):
   a. Publications: Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters,
book chapters, book reviews etc., is essential. While the number is not defined, content and quality are considered.
b. Research: Clinical and with emphasis on basic laboratory research per specialty is required. This could include evaluation of clinical results, clinical diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, collaboration with other disciplines. Collaborative research with appropriate basic science disciplines is strongly encouraged, when applicable and appropriate.
c. References attest to the contributions of the candidate.
d. Research activity grants may secure funding from various sources (intra or extramural) are required and per faculty contract agreement
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (CT)

1 Teaching Ability:
a. Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Department Curriculum conferences and multi disciplinary conferences as applied
b. Participates in appropriate Basic Science teaching lectures and seminars when requested.
c. Participates in /teaches medical student and resident lectures and teaches courses, seminars and sessions as assigned and/or when appropriate
d. Fulfills clinic teaching, inpatient consult teaching and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows as well as other peers
e. Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) and department head reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2 Service:
   Patient care
a. Examines patients in clinics and inpatient consults in the broad spectrum of dermatologic diseases in efficient manner and per standards set by national benchmarks and the institution
b. Performs routine dermatologic procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate.
c. Takes care of patients through multidisciplinary approach /clinics as appropriate.
d. Creates and brings new clinical services
e. Builds subspecialty areas of excellence
f. Participates to Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care as assigned by the Department
g. Participates in volunteering patient care activities and as organized by Department when applicable

To the Department, College of Medicine and Medical Students
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To the University & Community:
   Appropriate community service is desirable with physical presence or media
   Lectures to community, podcasts and other activities as indicated
   Evidence and other references that attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician. Service on local, regional and especially national dermatological societies or related societies / committees, study groups

3. Scholarly Activity (Research):
a. Publications: Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, book chapters, book reviews etc., is essential. While the number is not defined, content and quality are considered.
b. Research: Clinical and if possible, basic laboratory research is desirable. This could include evaluation of clinical results, clinical diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, collaboration with other disciplines. Collaborative research with appropriate basic science disciplines is strongly encouraged, when applicable and appropriate.

c References attest to the contributions of the candidate.

d Research activity grants may secure funding from various sources (intra or extramural) but it is not required
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (RT)

1 Teaching Ability:
   a. Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Department Curriculum conferences and multi disciplinary conferences as applied
   b. Participates in appropriate Basic Science teaching lectures and seminars when requested.
   c. Participates in /teaches medical student and resident lectures and teaches courses, seminars and sessions as assigned and/or when appropriate
   d. Fulfills clinic teaching, inpatient consult teaching and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows as well as other peers
   e. Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) and department head reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

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   Patient care
   a. Examines patients in clinics and inpatient consults in the broad spectrum of dermatologic diseases in efficient manner and per standards set by national benchmarks and the institution
   b. Performs routine dermatologic procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate.
   c. Takes care of patients through multidisciplinary approach /clinics as appropriate.
   d. Creates and brings new clinical services
   e. Builds subspecialty areas of excellence
   f. Participates to Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care as assigned by the Department
   g. Participates in volunteering patient care activities and as organized by Department when applicable

To the Department, College of Medicine and Medical Students
   Participates in Department, Hospital and College committees and activities as assigned.

To the University & Community:
   Appropriate community service is desirable with physical presence or media
   Lectures to community, podcasts and other activities as indicated
   Evidence and other references that attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician. Service on local, regional and especially national dermatological societies or related societies / committees, study groups

3. Scholarly Activity (Research):
   a. Publications: Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, book chapters, book reviews etc., is essential. While the number is not defined, content and quality are considered.
b. Research: Clinical and if possible, basic laboratory research is required. This could include evaluation of clinical results, clinical diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, collaboration with other disciplines. Collaborative research with appropriate basic science disciplines is strongly encouraged, when applicable and appropriate.

c. References attest to the contributions of the candidate.

d. Research activity grants may secure funding from various sources (intra or extramural) is required.
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

CLINICAL PROFESSOR

1 Teaching Ability:
   a. Participates in some Department Curriculum conferences and multi disciplinary conferences as applied
   b. Participates in /teaches medical student and resident lectures and teaches courses, seminars and sessions as assigned and/or when appropriate
   c. Fulfills clinic teaching, inpatient consult teaching and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows as well as other peers
   d. Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) and department head reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2 Service:
   Patient care
   a. Examines patients in clinics and inpatient consults in the broad spectrum of dermatologic diseases in efficient manner and per standards set by national benchmarks and the institution
   b. Performs routine dermatologic procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate.
   c. Takes care of patients through multidisciplinary approach /clinics as appropriate.
   d. Creates and brings new clinical services
   e. Builds subspecialty areas of excellence
   f. Participates to Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care as assigned by the Department
   g. Participates in volunteering patient care activities and as organized by Department when applicable

To the Department, College of Medicine and Medical Students
Participates in Department, Hospital and College committees and activities as assigned.

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   Appropriate community service is desirable with physical presence or media
   Lectures to community, podcasts and other activities as indicated
   Evidence and other references that attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician. Service on local, regional and especially national dermatological societies or related societies / committees, study groups

3. Scholarly Activity (Research):
   a. Publications: Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, book chapters, book reviews etc., is essential. While the number is not defined, content and quality are considered.
   b. Research: Clinical can be optional
Collaborative research with appropriate basic science disciplines is strongly encouraged, when applicable and appropriate.

- References attest to the contributions of the candidate.
- Research activity grants may secure funding from various sources (intra or extramural) but it is not required.
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

CLINICAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Teaching Ability:
- Participates in some Department Curriculum conferences and multi disciplinary conferences as applied.
- Participates in appropriate Basic Science teaching lectures and seminars when requested.
- Participates in /teaches medical student and resident lectures and teaches courses, seminars and sessions as assigned and/or when appropriate.
- Fulfills clinic teaching, inpatient consult teaching and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows as well as other peers.
- Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) and department head reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

3. Service:
   Patient care
- Examines patients in clinics and inpatient consults in the broad spectrum of dermatologic diseases in efficient manner and per standards set by national benchmarks and the institution.
- Performs routine dermatologic procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate.
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- Participates to Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care as assigned by the Department.
- Participates in volunteering patient care activities and as organized by Department when applicable.

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- Participates in Department, Hospital and College committees and activities as assigned.

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- Appropriate community service is desirable with physical presence or media.
- Lectures to community, podcasts and other activities as indicated.
- Evidence and other references that attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician. Service on local, regional and especially national dermatological societies or related societies / committees, study groups.

3. Scholarly Activity (Research):
- Publications: Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, book chapters, book reviews etc., is essential. While the number is not defined,
content and quality are considered.
b. Research: Clinical and if possible but not required
This could include evaluation of clinical results, clinical diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, collaboration with other disciplines.
Collaborative research with appropriate basic science disciplines is strongly encouraged, when applicable and appropriate.
c References attest to the contributions of the candidate.
d Research activity grants may secure funding from various sources (intra or extramural) but it is not required
Department of Emergency Medicine Promotion & Tenure Guidelines

“Combining Excellence with Expertise”

Revised October 2019
Department Mission Statement:

- Deliver emergency care services of exceptional quality, safety and efficiency with compassion and respect.
- Improve integration and quality of patient care, as well as healthcare provider education, by collaborating with other clinical departments, schools and centers of excellence.
- Develop programmatic areas that focus on elimination of healthcare disparities and new time-sensitive treatments for emergency care.
- Increase the scope of our practice by partnering with community emergency departments, urgent care centers and clinics.

Statement of College Norms, Expectations, and Standards of Excellence

In alliance with the University of Illinois College of Medicine guidelines, there are three tracks available to salaried faculty within the Department of Emergency Medicine (Academic Clinical Track (CT), Academic Research Track (RT), Clinical Discipline Track). There are two tracks (Adjunct Track and Clinical Track) available to faculty seeking nonpaid faculty appointments within the University of Illinois Department of Emergency Medicine.

Descriptions of the various tracks are as follows:

**Academic (CT) Track [Clinical and Teaching]**

**Associate Professor (CT)**

The Academic (CT) Track is for clinical faculty with a primary commitment to, and demonstrated excellence in, teaching and service including patient care in addition to research. Promotion in this track is achieved through the development and/or application of creative advances in medical care, the fostering of such clinical care in students through teaching excellence, and scholarly activity, in education or in the advancement of medical practice, leading to publications.

It is expected that individuals being appointed or promoted in the Academic (CT) Track will be excellent clinicians. The development of a quality practice, which is used as a base for teaching students and residents, enabling the faculty member to serve as a role model and providing the opportunity for the development of new clinical approaches and technologies is of major importance when performance is judged. Affirmation of the high quality of clinical practice may be used as an indication of peer recognition.
Faculty at the Associate Professor rank should have demonstrated excellence in teaching and patient care and should be engaged in scholarly activity that results in substantial contributions in the field. They should show promise of becoming leaders in their fields, should have demonstrated the likelihood of developing a high quality practice, and should have attained a reputation of excellence at the local or regional level.

Articles in refereed journals, case reports, review articles, abstracts, and book chapters may be considered to meet the requirement for publications in this track. The candidate need not be the senior author, but evidence of significant involvement in the work or in the preparation of the publications should be provided. The publications considered adequate to meet this requirement are fewer than in the Academic (Research/Teaching) Track. Quality of publications is more important than overall quantity. Presentation of papers at scholarly meetings or conferences, especially when the papers are screened by a review committee, or participation in national and/or international meetings or organization of sessions for such meetings are important criteria for promotion. The receipt of external funds for research and other scholarly pursuits is encouraged but not required for promotion in this track.

**Academic (CT) Track [Clinical and Teaching]**

Professor (CT)
The Academic (CT) Track is for clinical faculty with a primary commitment to, and demonstrated excellence in, teaching and service including patient care and research. Promotion in this track is achieved through the development and/or application of creative advances in medical care, the fostering of such clinical care in students through teaching excellence, and scholarly activity, in education or in the advancement of medical practice, leading to publications. It is expected that individuals being appointed or promoted in the Academic (CT) Track will be excellent clinicians.

Faculty at the Professor rank should have demonstrated continued excellence in their teaching and patient care activities and continued engagement in scholarly activity. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University, should be recognized regionally or nationally for their contributions, and should normally have developed a high quality practice.

**Academic (RT) Track [Research and Teaching]**

Associate Professor (RT)
The Academic (RT) Track is for faculty, both clinical and basic science, with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Promotion of faculty in the Academic (RT) Track
depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research and excellence in teaching. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion.

Faculty at the Associate Professor rank should be actively engaged in research. Establishment of a research program is a fundamental requirement for promotion. Faculty should be contributing significant new information to the scientific literature, should have demonstrated promise of becoming leaders in their fields, and should have attained some recognition at the national level. Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be excellence in teaching and contributions to the mission of the department and College, although in such cases significant research activity is also expected. Service to the University is an important faculty responsibility and is therefore a factor in appointment and promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient for promotion in the absence of research activity and excellence in teaching.

The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are more important than overall quantity of articles. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is particularly important for advancement in rank to Associate Professor. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory boards are additional criteria for promotion in the Academic (RT) Track.

**Academic (RT) Track [Research and Teaching]**

**Professor (RT)**
The Academic (RT) Track is for faculty, both clinical and basic science, with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Promotion of faculty in the Academic (RT) Track depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research and excellence in teaching. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion.

Faculty at the Professor rank should have demonstrated continuing excellence in both teaching and research and should have shown significant innovation in their work. They should have demonstrated national and/or international leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University. Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be excellence in teaching and contributions to the mission of the department and College, although in such cases significant research activity is also expected. Service to the University is an important faculty responsibility and is therefore a factor in appointment and promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient for promotion in the absence of research activity and excellence in teaching.
The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are more important than overall quantity of articles. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is particularly important for advancement in rank to Professor. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory boards are additional criteria for promotion in the Academic (RT) Track.

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**Associate Professor of Clinical Discipline**
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Faculty at the Associate Professor of Clinical Discipline rank should have demonstrated excellence in teaching and patient care programs including development of a high quality and substantial clinical practice. Alternatively, this rank may be used to recognize only excellence in educational activities. In this case not only teaching excellence but also educational leadership and scholarship must be demonstrated by publications about topics such as teaching innovations, curricular development, or development of graduate medical education programs. Faculty should have received local recognition as a clinician and/or teacher.

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**Adjunct Track**

Adjunct as a prefix to a rank normally denotes a faculty member whose major time commitment is not at the University and/or who has credentials in a field other than the primary discipline of the appointing department. Such a faculty member is generally salaried 50% or less for University-related activities or participates on a non-salaried basis. Faculty in the Adjunct Track are on annual appointments and not in the tenure track.

Progression in rank in the Adjunct Track tends to parallel the level of professional development achieved by the faculty member in his or her own field. The minimum requirement of a doctoral degree at the instructor level may be met by a relevant non-doctoral degree. In appointing or promoting a faculty member in the Adjunct Track, it is essential to identify academic activities and achievements within the College of Medicine.

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**Clinical Track**
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**Clinical Assistant and Clinical Associate:** Individuals at this rank should participate in the teaching of medical students in the College.

**Clinical Instructor:** Faculty at this rank should participate in the educational programs of the College, in particular, in lecture, tutorial, or clerkship activities.

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Promotion and Tenure Policies for Department of Emergency Medicine
Approval by UIC -EM Faculty (10/22/2019)

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Scholarship

Scholarship in family medicine is broadly defined. It includes creating new knowledge using the tools of qualitative and/or quantitative research. It also involves integrating known facts, applying them to real problems, and disseminating those applications to others who can use them and benefit from them. Because family medicine is an integrative discipline, faculty scholarship will often involve interdisciplinary collaboration, although independent projects are also valued. Excellence in scholarship may be documented in many ways, including:

1. Publication in peer reviewed journals with a psychosocial, biological, clinical, educational, healthcare services, and/or humanities focus (including but not limited to: *Journal of Family Practice; Family Medicine; Behavioral Medicine; Archives of Family Medicine; Academic Medicine; Families, Systems, and Health; Teaching and Learning in Medicine; Medical Humanities Review; American Family Physician; Annals of Behavioral Science and Medical Education; Social Science and Medicine; Journal of the American Board of Family Practice*)

2. Peer reviewed presentations at scholarly meetings and conferences

3. Published curricular monographs
4. Editorials, position papers, letters to editor
5. Books
6. Chapters in books
7. Invited seminars and lectures
8. Service on national review panels and/or advisory boards
9. Service on the editorial boards of peer reviewed professional journals
10. Service as a manuscript reviewer for peer reviewed professional journals
11. Election to office in a professional academic organization
12. Service on a national professional academic committee, and
13. External funding for scholarly projects

Teaching

Teaching excellence includes the ability to help others develop new knowledge, skills, and attitudes that derive from one’s own discipline-based knowledge, skills, and attitudes. It also involves the ability to demonstrate and skillfully use pedagogical skills (e.g. developing curricula, implementing curricula, evaluating curricula, effectively utilizing various teaching methods, creating challenging and supportive learning environments, creating collaborative teaching environments, showing respect for learners, etc.). Excellence in teaching may be documented in many ways, including:

1. Completed UIC College of Medicine Annual Reports of Faculty Teaching Effort;
2. Compiled evaluations of UIC College of Medicine instruments created to document/evaluate actual teaching, such as:
   a. Student Evaluations of Faculty Teaching in the Classroom and/or Clinical Setting (E.g. hospital, nursing home, ambulatory care center, etc.),
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   e. Department Head’s Appraisal of Teaching Effectiveness
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4. Descriptions/evaluations of educational product development including:
   a. Personal descriptions of contributions to instructional techniques and teaching methods,
   b. Peer evaluations of new or non-traditional teaching methods, subject matter, courses and programs, and
   c. Department Chair’s appraisal of contributions to curriculum and other products.
Clinical care

Faculty are expected to remain clinically active in their chosen discipline. Excellence in clinical care can be documented by:

1. Peer review of the quality and extent of patient care activities
2. Service on local, regional, or national committees that focus on patient care concerns (e.g. developing clinical guidelines, quality assurance, utilization review, etc.), and
3. Directly supervising clinical care provided by others at less advanced levels of training (e.g. mid-level providers, medical students, residents, fellows, junior faculty, etc.).

Service

Faculty are expected to find opportunities to serve and to willingly contribute their talents when others can benefit from them. Excellence in service can be demonstrated by (but is not limited to) such activities as the following:

1. Active participation in department, college, hospital, and/or university committees
2. Administrative responsibilities in the department, college, hospital, and/or university
3. Representing the department, college, hospital, and/or university to the public and/or outside agencies
4. Service on local, regional, and/or national medical/health care organizations/societies

Criteria for Promotion, by Faculty Track

The Department of Family (and Community) Medicine uses the general guidelines outlined in the “Criteria and Guidelines for Promotion of Faculty, UIC College of Medicine,” with some specific features that fit our discipline. In general, it is expected that in promotion decisions in the Academic Research/Teaching (RT) Track, scholarship is weighted relatively high with respect to time devoted to it and its tangible outcomes. Similarly, in promotion decisions in the Academic Clinical/Teaching (CT) Track, it is expected that teaching contributions will be weighted relatively high with respect to time devoted and related tangible outcomes--some of which are expected to be in the area of scholarship, including publication. In the Clinical Discipline Track, it is expected that clinical and administrative service, and teaching, will dominate work activity, and that tangible outcomes will be greatest in those areas. Scholarship is expected in the Clinical Discipline Track, but peer-reviewed publications are not necessarily required. There are limited opportunities for funded research in this field, hence grant funding is a very strong indicator of quality. In line with College norms, attainment of external funding support after significant peer review is particularly important for advancement in rank in the Academic RT track. The receipt of external funds for research and other scholarly pursuits is encouraged but not required for promotion in the Academic CT track.
Academic (Research/Teaching)

Promotion to Associate Professor of Family and Community Medicine

1. Active engagement in research
2. Demonstrates excellence in teaching
3. Contributions to departmental clinical or service responsibilities
4. Active scholar and a departmental leader in the scholarly arena
5. Contributes significant new information to the peer reviewed and other literature
6. Demonstrates promise of becoming a leader in the field
7. Recognized at the regional or national level

Promotion to Professor of Family and Community Medicine

1. Demonstrates continued excellence in research including publications in the peer reviewed and other literature
2. Demonstrates continued excellence in teaching
3. Continued quality contributions to departmental clinical or service responsibilities
4. Shows significant innovation in his or her work
5. Demonstrates leadership in the field that brings recognition and enhanced stature to the university
6. Recognized nationally and/or internationally

Academic (Clinical/Teaching)

Promotion to Associate Professor of Family and Community Medicine

1. Demonstrates excellence in teaching
2. Demonstrates excellence in patient care
3. Engages in scholarly activity
4. Contributes to the published literature
5. Has demonstrated effective departmental leadership in an area of interest
6. Shows promise of becoming a leader in the field
7. Has developed a high quality practice
8. Has attained a reputation for excellence at the local or regional level.

Promotion to Professor of Family and Community Medicine

1. Demonstrates continued excellence in teaching
2. Demonstrates continued excellence in patient care
3. Continues to engage in scholarly activity and to contribute to the published literature
4. Demonstrates effective departmental, college, and/or university leadership
5. Demonstrates leadership in the field that brings recognition and enhanced stature to the university
6. Recognized nationally or internationally for his or her contributions.
7. Has developed a high quality practice
Clinical Discipline Track

Promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Family and Community Medicine

1. Demonstrates excellence in teaching
2. Develops high quality and substantial clinical practice
3. Recognized locally as a clinician and/or teacher
4. Has demonstrated excellence in scholarship, but not necessarily including peer-reviewed publication in the literature

Alternatively:

1. Demonstrates teaching excellence only, when performed at a very high level, and
2. Scholarly contributions that include publications, teaching innovations, curricular development, or development of graduate medical education programs
3. Recognized locally as an excellent teacher

Promotion to Professor of Clinical Family and Community Medicine

1. Demonstrates a high level of professional accomplishment in teaching
2. Demonstrates a high level of professional accomplishment in patient care
3. Recognized at the regional level for achievement in either teaching or patient care
4. Develops high quality and substantial clinical practice
5. Has demonstrated excellence in scholarship, but not necessarily including peer-reviewed publication in the literature

Alternatively:

1. Demonstrates major contributions in a singular area, such as teaching, administration, or service, especially when these contributions and achievements are broadly recognized within or outside the University.
2. Has demonstrated excellence in scholarship, but not necessarily including peer-reviewed publication in the literature
Clinical Track

Promotion to Clinical Associate Professor of Family and Community Medicine

1. Demonstrates sustained commitment to the educational program of the College by accepting ongoing teaching assignments
2. Demonstrates expertise and excellence in education

Promotion to Clinical Professor of Family and Community Medicine

1. Demonstrates involvement in the mission of the department and the College
2. Demonstrates sustained teaching excellence that brings stature to the College, OR Demonstrates contributions in the practice of medicine that bring stature to the College
3. Recognized by peers at the regional level

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Promotion and Tenure Guidelines for the Promotion to Associate Professor with Tenure in the Academic Teaching-Research Track

Candidates who are recommended for promotion to the academic rank of Associate Professor with Tenure in the Department of Medical Education in the Academic Teaching-Research Track must demonstrate the qualities of scholarship and teaching ability that allow the University to make a life-long commitment to them. The tenure decision is not merely a hurdle to be met in the advancement of one’s career, but rather an indication of the faculty member’s ability and commitment to be a life-long scholar. Specifically, to merit appointment at or promotion to Associate Professor of Medical Education with Tenure, the candidate must participate and show commitment in each area of departmental life, that is, research, teaching, and service. Because of the variety of disciplines represented by the members of the Department, for example, education, humanities, psychology, and informatics, candidates are expected to excel in one or a limited number of fields. Interdisciplinary collaboration on the other hand will be valued for promotion and tenure.

Research. Achievement in research is an important consideration for tenure and it is essential that the investigator’s research contributions be judged valuable by colleagues. Evidence of the candidate’s contributions to the field will be judged by an evaluation of:
- published papers in refereed journals,
- publication of books, chapters, and, monographs,
- invitations to offer lectures and serve on seminars, and
- presentations at professional meetings and conferences.
Finally, serving as a referee in the peer review of manuscripts is further evidence of the candidate’s scholarly standing.

The value of a candidate’s research is also demonstrated by its being supported through extramural funding. Extramural funding is a helpful asset but not a requirement for promotion and tenure because funding sources for research in medical education are limited. At present, there is no direct RO1 funding available in medical education. To the extent that DME faculty are funded through RO1 grants, it is usually as a collaborator or consultant on evaluation, research design and methods, or teaching and learning methods. This sort of support will be considered equally with grants awarded to independent investigators.
**Teaching.** Achievement in teaching is an important consideration for tenure. Commitment to teaching means a caring and consistent effort in the teaching of professional and graduate students and the development of innovative teaching-learning methods. Excellence in teaching is demonstrated by creative teaching, curriculum development, and by devoting time and effort to helping students learn, including student advising and being on thesis or dissertation committees. It is measured by comments and appraisals from course directors, faculty, and students. Product development in support of teaching, such as texts, audio-visual materials, or computer-aided instruction, is also considered for promotion and tenure.

Members of DME often serve as educational consultants to other departments in the College and the University. Consultation and educational support at the College level, as well as to other individuals or outside institutions, will be considered for promotion. These possible roles include: consulting; developing educational innovations; developing methods and strategies for assessment or evaluation; obtaining training grants; authoring or co-authoring educational materials; or providing faculty development.

**Service.** Service is an important consideration for tenure and in this regard the candidate must demonstrate a presence and participation in the academic community. Ordinarily, this service will take the form of participation on appointed and elected committees of the department, college, and university. This service can also take the form of participation in professional and relevant community organizations that are regional or national in nature. Recognition and awards from professional and relevant community organizations are further evidence of the candidate’s service record.

*Prepared by the Promotion and Tenure Committee, January 1997.*
Promotion and Tenure Guidelines for the Promotion to Professor in the Academic Teaching-Research Track

Candidates who are recommended for promotion to the rank of Professor in the Department of Medical Education in the Academic Teaching-Research Track must demonstrate leadership in their field which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University. Candidates must be recognized nationally for their scholarship. They must have published in prestigious journals in their field and may have written their own books or have contributed to multi-authored books published by well known publishers. In addition, they must demonstrate excellence in teaching and service. Because of the variety of disciplines represented by the members of the Department, for example, education, humanities, psychology, and informatics, candidates are expected to excel in one or a limited number of fields. Each field calls for unique and often demanding requirements. Interdisciplinary collaboration on the other hand will be valued for promotion.

**Leadership.** Candidates for professor will be expected to have demonstrated leadership in their scholarly and professional contributions. Leadership takes the form of defining and advancing the interests of the candidate’s field. Examples of leadership include being asked to critique or judge other scholars’ work; serving as a referee in the peer review of grant applications; serving on study sections; serving on editorial boards of journals, book series, or presses; organizing or chairing symposia or conferences. Teaching and professional awards are also indications of leadership and recognition as are visiting professorships.

**Research.** A sustained record of research accomplishments is essential for promotion to Professor. This research must represent a continuation of scholarly activities past the candidate’s promotion to associate professor. The quality of the work must be demonstrably valued by peers and colleagues. Evidence of the candidate’s contributions to the field will be judged by an evaluation of:

- publication of peer-reviewed books, monographs, articles, and chapters,
- presentations made at professional meetings and conferences,
- invitations to offer lectures and serve on seminars, and
- published reviews of the candidate’s work.
The value of a candidate’s research is also demonstrated by its being supported through extramural funding. Extramural funding is a helpful asset but not a requirement for promotion and tenure because funding sources for research in medical education are limited. At present, there is no direct RO1 funding available in medical education. To the extent that DME faculty are funded through RO1 grants, it is usually as a collaborator or consultant on evaluation, research design and methods, or educational efforts. This sort of support will be considered equally with grants awarded to independent investigators.

**Teaching.** Excellence in teaching must be demonstrated in order to be promoted to Professor. Excellence means a caring and consistent effort, past the awarding of tenure at the associate professor level, in the teaching of professional, graduate, and post-graduate students and the promotion and development of innovative teaching-learning methods. Excellence in teaching is demonstrated by creative teaching, curriculum development, and by devoting time and effort to helping students learn, including student advising and being on thesis or dissertation committees. It is also measured by comments and appraisals from course directors, faculty, and students. Product development in support of teaching, such as texts, audio-visual materials, or computer-aided instruction, is also considered for promotion and tenure. Members of DME often serve as educational consultants to other departments in the College and the University. Consultation and educational support at the College level, as well as to other individuals or national or international institutions, will be considered for promotion. These roles include: consulting; developing educational innovations; developing methods and strategies for assessment or evaluation; obtaining training grants; authoring or co-authoring educational materials; or providing faculty development.

**Service.** Service is deemed excellent on the basis of the contribution and impact the candidate has in the areas served. Excellence in service is documented by the breadth of committee or task forces served on at the local and national or international levels, by committee chairmanship, by the innovative ideas put forward, by participating or chairing administrative or programmatic committees or task forces, and by consulting to other organizations or universities nationally and internationally. Major commitments to administrative roles in the Department, the College, or the University will be recognized.

*Prepared by the Promotion and Tenure Committee, January 1997.*
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Department of Medical Education faculty are required to engage demonstrably in activities that support UIC's institutional commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. The type and extent of these activities will vary by the nature of the faculty member's academic and administrative work. For instance, faculty might:

(1) engage in scholarship, grant writing, or creative activity that identifies or addresses inequalities and barriers to inclusion in higher education and healthcare

(2) develop courses, instructional techniques, instructional materials, and assessment methods that apply diversity, equity, and inclusion principles

(3) identify, evaluate, develop, or implement mechanisms and systems to enhance entry and success of underrepresented learners in higher education and healthcare

(4) engage in university, professional society, or community service that reflects a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

These activities are meant only as examples and are not meant to be exhaustive.
Instructor – Faculty at this rank should have an earned doctoral degree. Clinicians should have completed three years of residency training.

Assistant Professor – Faculty at this rank should meet the criteria for Instructor and should ordinarily have completed a residency/fellowship training program and/or at least two years of postdoctoral experience. Clinicians should normally be board certified.

Associate Professor – Faculty at this rank should ordinarily have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered.

This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University’s programs. There is no automatic promotion to the associate professor level based solely on years in rank. Documentation of excellence is required.
Statement of College Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellent

Associate Professor (RT) The Academic (RT) Track is for faculty, both clinical and basic science, with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Promotion of faculty in the Academic (RT) Track depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research and excellence in teaching. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion.

Faculty at the Associate Professor rank should be actively engaged in research. Establishment of a research program is a fundamental requirement for promotion. Faculty should be contributing significant new information to the scientific literature, should have demonstrated promise of becoming leaders in their fields, and should have attained some recognition at national level. Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be excellence in teaching and contributions to the mission of the department and College, although in such cases significant research activity is also expected. Service to the University is an important faculty responsibility and is therefore a factor in promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient in the absence of research activity and excellence in teaching.

The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are more important than overall quantity of articles. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is particularly important for advancement in rank to Associate Professor. The receipt of funding from the Federal Merit Review Program should be considered highly competitive. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory boards are additional criteria for promotion in the Academic (RT) Track.
STATEMENT OF UNIT NORMS, EXPECTATIONS, AND STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE

The goal of the Department of Microbiology and Immunology is to be ranked among the leading Microbiology/Immunology Departments in the country. Such status is attained by the faculty of the Department publishing in the most reputable journals, and training students and post-doctoral fellows who become leaders in their fields after leaving our Department. Moreover, while faculty members pursue their own areas of interest, they are encouraged to identify research themes that will allow collegial interactions, provide a scholarly niche for the Department and allow members of our faculty the opportunity to collaborate with others in their department and elsewhere. The Department's core of well-established nationally recognized investigators can be strengthened by careful recruitment of new faculty. These new faculty will not only help develop a critical mass, but also catalyze interactions between basic and clinical scientists throughout UIC. Such interactions enhance opportunities for thematic programs and research productivity offer better training opportunities for our students and fellows, and cut the time to translate information from the bench to the bedside. Such a strategy will allow our Department to play a unique and important role in the development of the research within the College of Medicine and across UIC.

Attaining our objectives requires the participation of all faculty. Each faculty member is expected to be involved in scholarly activities including research, teaching and service. The following guidelines have been developed so all faculty colleagues will share the same expectations for faculty performance.

Guidelines for Faculty Performance

RESEARCH

Each faculty member is expected to:
• engage in scholarly work that leads to timely and periodic publications in peer reviewed journals of high quality.
• present their work at national and international scientific meetings and symposia.
• submit applications for support for their research and obtain peer reviewed funding from extramural sources.

Evaluative criteria:
• number and quality of publications as judged by frequency of citation and scientific impact of published work.
• extramural funding.
• invitations to present work at universities, national and international meetings.

TEACHING

Each faculty member is expected to participate in the Departments teaching programs and:
• effectively teach our graduate students and professional students, including medical, dental and nursing students.
• present lectures using appropriate audio-visual aids, study guides or hand-outs.

Evaluative criteria:
• for professional students: extent of participation and student and faculty evaluations.
• for graduate student teaching: extent of participation, student evaluations, successful program completion in a timely fashion, individual knowledge and skill development, and postgraduate placement data.
• Improvements in courses to address changing needs, development of new courses, and the quality and timeliness of educational materials provided to students.
• could also include scholarly publication in education literature.

SERVICE

Each faculty is expected to provide service to the Department, College, University and scientific community by:
• serving on various departmental, college and university committees.
• serving on national and international scientific committees.
• participating in the planning and organization of national/international meetings.
• serving on journal editorial boards and grant review groups.

Evaluative criteria:
• Participation and service when requested and quality of contributions to committees or service activity.
Department Criteria for Promotion

Academic Track (TENURE):

*Research/Teaching*
Associate Professor (RT)
Professor (RT)

*Clinical/Teaching*
Associate Professor (CT)
Professor (CT)

NON TENURE TRACKS

Clinical Discipline Track:
Associate Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology
Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology

Clinical Track:
Clinical Associate Professor of Ophthalmology
Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology

Research Track:
Research Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology
Research Professor of Ophthalmology

Note: Adjunct and Visiting Tracks are not included in this document.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Associate Professor (RT)

Individuals promoted to the Associate Professor (RT) must be salaried greater than 50% time for University related activities. This track is for faculty both clinical and basic science, with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care for clinicians. Promotion depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research and to a much lesser degree teaching. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellent in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion. The quality of publications in such journals as the Archives of Ophthalmology, the American Journal of Ophthalmology, Ophthalmology, Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science, Vision Research and others, consistency of performance, and the extended involvement of the candidate in research are more important than the overall quantity of articles. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review from the National Eye Institute, the National Science Foundation, private agencies, and the like is particularly important for advancement to this level. Presentations at major meetings such as the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the International Society for Eye Research, the Optical Society of America, the Society for Neuroscience and the like, invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on National Scientific Advisory Boards are additional criteria for promotion. Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be excellence in teaching and contribution to the mission of the Department, although in such cases significant research activity is also expected. Service to the University and department are important faculty responsibilities, and are therefore factors in appointment and promotion considerations, but they are not sufficient in the absence of research activity to justify promotion in this track.

Faculty at the rank of Associate Professor (RT) should have established an ongoing research program. Evidence of independent and externally funded research is generally required. For clinicians, participation in multicenter clinical trials will be deemed sufficient to meet this requirement. Such faculty should be contributing significant new information to the scientific literature as evidence by first or senior authorship in publications, should have demonstrated promise of becoming leaders in their field, and should have attained some recognition at the national level.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Professor (RT)

Individuals promoted to the Professor (RT) level must be salaried greater than 50% time for University related activities. This track is for faculty with significant research commitment in addition to teaching, service, and (for clinicians) patient care. Promotion depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research and to a lesser degree teaching. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellent in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion. The quality of publications in such journals as the Archives of Ophthalmology, the American Journal of Ophthalmology, Ophthalmology, Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science, Vision Research and others, consistency of performance, and the extended involvement of the candidate in research are more important than the overall quantity of articles. Furthermore, attainment of repeated external support after significant peer review from the National Eye Institute, the National Science Foundation, private agencies, and the like is particularly important for advancement to this level. Presentations at major meetings such as the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the International Society for Eye Research, the Optical Society of America, the Society for Neuroscience and the like, invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on National Scientific Advisory Boards are additional criteria for promotion. Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be excellence in teaching and contribution to the mission of the Department, although in such cases significant research activity is also expected. Service to the University and department are important faculty responsibilities, and are therefore factors in appointment and promotion considerations, but they are not sufficient in the absence of research activity and excellence in teaching to justify promotion in this track.

Faculty at the rank of Professor (RT) should have developed continued excellence in both teaching and research as evidenced by a sustained record of external funding, and to have shown significant innovation in their work. For clinicians, participation in multicenter clinical trials will be deemed sufficient to meet this request. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced statute to the University and should be recognized nationally and/or internationally for their accomplishments.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Associate Professor (CT)

This track is for clinical faculty with a primary commitment to and demonstrated excellence in teaching, service, and patient care. They must be salaried greater than 50% for University related activities. Promotion is usually achieved through the development and application of creative advances in medical care and fostering such clinical care in students through teaching excellence. In addition, scholarly activity leading to publications in such journals as the Archives of Ophthalmology, the American Journal of Ophthalmology, Ophthalmology, Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science, Vision Research and others are required. It is expected that these individuals will be excellent clinicians. The development of a quality practice, which is used as a base for teaching students, residents, and fellows enabling the faculty member to serve as a role model and providing the opportunity for development of new clinical techniques, is of major importance when performance is judged. Affirmation of the high quality of a clinical practice may be used as an indication of peer recognition. Articles in refereed journals, case reports, review articles, abstracts, and book chapters may be considered to meet the requirement for publications in this track. The candidate need not be the senior author, but evidence of significant involvement of the work or in the preparation of the publications should be provided. The publications considered adequate to meet this requirement are fewer than in the (RT) track. Quality of publications is more important than overall quantity. Presentation of papers at scholarly meetings and conferences, such as the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, the Macula Society, the Glaucoma Society, and the like, especially when papers are screened by a review committee, or participation in national or international meetings or organization of sessions for such meetings are important criteria for promotion. The receipt of external funds, research grants, and the development of an independent research program are not required.

Faculty at the rank of Associate Professor (CT) should show promise of becoming leaders in their field, should have demonstrated the likelihood of the development of a high quality practice, and should have obtained a reputation of excellence at the local or regional level.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Professor (CT)

This track is for clinical faculty with a primary commitment to and demonstrated excellence in teaching, service, and patient care. They must be salaried greater than 50% for University related activities. Promotion is usually achieved through the development and application of creative advances in medical care and fostering such clinical care in students through teaching excellence. In addition, scholarly activity leading to publications in such journals as the Archives of Ophthalmology, the American Journal of Ophthalmology, Ophthalmology, Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science, Vision Research and others are required. It is expected that these individuals will be excellent clinicians. The development of a quality practice, which is used as a base for teaching students, residents, and fellows enabling the faculty member to serve as a role model and providing the opportunity for development of new clinical techniques, is of major importance when performance is judged. Affirmation of the high quality of a clinical practice may be used as an indication of peer recognition. Articles in refereed journals, case reports, review articles, abstracts, and book chapters may be considered to meet the requirement for publications in this track. The candidate need not be the senior author, but evidence of significant involvement of the work or in the preparation of the publications should be provided. The publications considered adequate to meet this requirement are fewer than in the (RT) track. Quality of publications is more important than overall quantity. Presentation of papers at scholarly meetings and conferences, such as the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, the Macula Society, the Glaucoma Society, and the like, especially when papers are screened by a review committee, or participation in national or international meetings or organization of sessions for such meetings are important criteria for promotion. The receipt of external funds, research grants, and the development of an independent research program are not required.

Faculty at the rank of Professor (CT) should have demonstrated continued excellence in their teaching and patient care activities, and should be engaged in scholarly activity. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University, should be recognized regionally, nationally, or internationally for their contributions and should normally have developed a high quality practice.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology

Candidates for this rank are primarily involved in patient care, teaching, and service. Such faculty members are salaried greater than 50% for University related activities. Primary commitment by the faculty member to the College of Medicine program is expected and frequently demonstrated through contributions to the mission of the department by the development of a clinical practice or by their participation in clinical care as a teacher. Faculty in this track are not in the tenure track or tenured and are required to sign waiver of tenure agreements. Promotion or appointment of faculty in this track primarily depends upon teaching and patient care, and on stature in the practice of medicine. Individuals in this track will frequently be contributors to the department’s clinical activities. Promotion to this rank requires clear documentation of excellence in teaching and/or patient care. In addition, scholarly activity or recognition related to practice of medicine should be demonstrated.

Faculty at the rank of Associate Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology should have demonstrated excellence in teaching students, residents, fellows or graduate physicians as part of CME courses and have developed a high quality clinical practice with a substantial reputation and referral base. Alternatively, this rank may be used to recognize only teaching excellence when performed at a very high level and with resulting scholarly contributions in terms of publications, teaching innovations, circular development, or development of graduate medical education programs. Faculty should have received local recognition as a clinician and/or teacher.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to 
Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology

Candidates for this rank are primarily involved in patient care, teaching, and service. Such 
faculty members are salaried greater than 50% for University related activities. Primary 
commitment by the faculty member to the College of Medicine program is expected and 
frequently demonstrated through contributions to the mission of the department by the 
development of a clinical practice or by their participation in clinical care as a teacher. Faculty 
in this track are not in the tenure track or tenured and are required to sign waiver of tenure 
agreements. Promotion or appointment of faculty in this track primarily depends upon teaching 
and patient care, and on stature in the practice of medicine. Individuals in this tract will 
frequently be contributors to the department’s clinical activities. Promotion to this rank requires 
clear documentation of excellence in teaching and/or patient care. In addition, scholarly activity 
or recognition related to practice of medicine should be demonstrated.

Faculty at the rank of Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology should have developed a high level 
of professional accomplishment in teaching and patient care programs and should be recognized 
at the regional level for achievement in at least one of the two areas. It is expected that the 
faculty will have developed a high quality and substantial clinical practice with a strong 
reputation and referral base. In some instances this title would be appropriate to recognize major 
contributions in a singular area, such as teaching, administration, or service, especially when 
these contributions and achievements are broadly recognized either within or outside the 
University.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Clinical Associate Professor of Ophthalmology

The clinical track is used primarily for faculty who are involved in patient care and teaching, and usually has little or no involvement in research. Faculties in this track are voluntary or salaried 50% or less for University related activities. They are on fixed term appointments and not in the tenure track. Appointment or promotion depends primarily on teaching and/or patient care, and on a stature in the practice of medicine. Since individuals in this track usually have major professional commitments outside the University, comprehensive contributions to the College are not expected. Instead, demonstrated excellence in teaching or service would generally meet promotion requirements.

Faculty at the rank of Clinical Associate Professor of Ophthalmology should have demonstrated sustained commitment to the educational program of the College by accepting regular and ongoing teaching assignments within the department as requested. It is expected that expertise and excellence will be demonstrated in the performance of such responsibility.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology

The clinical track is used primarily for faculty who are involved in patient care and teaching, and usually has little or no involvement in research. Faculties in this track are voluntary or salaried 50% or less for University related activities. They are on fixed term appointments and not in the tenure track. Appointment or promotion depends primarily on teaching and patient care, and on a stature in the practice of medicine. Since individuals in this track usually have major professional commitments outside the University, comprehensive contributions to the College are not expected. Instead, demonstrated excellence in teaching or service would generally meet promotion requirements.

Faculty at the rank of Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology should have demonstrated continuing involvement in the mission of the Department and the College of Medicine. They should have accepted regular and ongoing teaching assignments within the Department as requested over a substantial period of time. The rank may be used to recognize sustained teaching excellence or contributions in the practice of medicine which bring stature to the College. Faculty should have received peer recognition at the regional or national level for their achievements.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Research Associate Professor of Ophthalmology

The research track is used for faculty members whose primary commitment to the College is in research. While the member must be salaried greater than 50% for University related activities to be eligible, in practice this track is most frequently used for full time faculty. The research prefix normally designates faculty members who are credentialed in a basic science field and not in ophthalmology, and who have a major commitment to research. Faculty in this track generally has fewer teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity than those in the Academic (RT) track.

Faculty at the rank of Research Associate Professor of Ophthalmology should actively be engaged in research and have established a research program. Evidence of independent and externally funded research is generally required. Faculty at this rank should be contributing significant new information to scientific literature as evidenced by first or senior authorship in peer reviewed publications, such as Investigate Ophthalmology and Visual Science, Vision Research and others. They should have demonstrated promise of becoming leaders in their field and should have attained some recognition at the national level.
Statement of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Criteria for Promotion to Research Professor of Ophthalmology

The research track is used for faculty members whose primary commitment to the College is in research. While the member must be salaried greater than 50% for University related activities to be eligible, in practice this track is most frequently used for full time faculty. The research prefix normally designates faculty members who are credentialed in a basic science field and not in ophthalmology, and who have a major commitment to research. Faculties in this track generally have fewer teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity than those in the Academic (RT) track.

Faculty at the rank of Research Professor of Ophthalmology should have demonstrated continued excellence in research, and should have shown significant innovation in their work. They should have a sustained record of external funding for their work. They should have demonstrated leadership in their field which brings recognition at the nationally and/or internationally for their accomplishments.
In the Department of Pathology, faculty members on the RT track are expected to participate actively in College of Medicine educational endeavors. All faculty members are expected to achieve an exceptionally high level of creativity and effectiveness in delivering education to graduate students, medical students, pathology residents, and continuing education for physicians who interface with the Department of Pathology. Assessment of excellence is conducted by the Department's Division of Pathology Education.

The criteria for excellence in research on the RT track include the publication of manuscripts with a high impact in the investigator’s field. The Department recognizes that there is no set of journals with high impact factors that define the impact in the investigator’s field. The impact of an investigator’s work is judged in part by a retrospective evaluation of the effect of the investigator’s work on his or her field. Thus, a faculty member may publish in a specialty journal, but if it is clear that the work has impacted the field greatly through citation of the work, if favorable editorials and review articles comment on the work’s impact, and the opinions of leaders in the investigator’s field note the impact of the faculty member’s work, then the work is deemed to be highly significant.

There are other indicators of excellence in research including participation in the editorial boards of journals in the faculty member’s fields, invitations to and participation in national research conferences and congresses, and service on study sections. Faculty members on the tenured RT track should have a solid record of funding from extramural sources, and within the Department of Pathology, these include but are not restricted to the NIH.

The Department of Pathology’s Research Division is built on the foundation of interdisciplinary research and team building. Thus, a major criterion for excellence in this track is participation and leadership in building research efforts across laboratories within the Department, the University, and within the discipline of research outside of the University if indicated.
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| • Demonstrated success in teaching UIC students at the undergraduate and/or graduate level in line with expectations set forth by College norms | • Demonstrated success in teaching UIC students at the undergraduate and/or graduate level in line with expectations set forth by College norms |
| • Active participation in study preliminary exam and thesis committees | • Active participation in study preliminary exam and thesis committees |
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| • Consistent record of commitment to education at the undergraduate or graduate levels over several years | • Consistent record of commitment to education at the undergraduate or graduate levels over several years |
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| **Stature in Pathology** | **Stature in Pathology** |
| Candidates should show promise of becoming a leader in their field.  
Recommend at least one of the following:  
• Oral Presentation at regional meeting  
• Oral Presentation at national meeting | Candidates should have demonstrated track record of leadership in their field.  
Recommend at least two of the following:  
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**Teaching**

- Participation on external study section or national advisory board
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**Scholarly Productivity**

Candidates for tenure must show productivity in their area of specialization:

- Book chapter
- First or last author carries more weight than middle authorship

Also consider impact of work:

- How often is work cited?
- Type of journal, journal impact factor also to be considered (quality over quantity)

Candidates for tenure must show productivity in their area of specialization:

- Book chapter
- First or last author carries more weight than middle authorship
- Work should show evidence of collaboration and leadership

Also consider impact of work:

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Candidates should have demonstrated their independence in regards to funding Extramural funding:

- Major Federal grant (> $500,000)
- Minor Federal grant (< $500,000)
- Foundation
- Pharmaceutical
- Internal departmental

Candidates should have demonstrated their independence in regards to funding, and should be Primary Investigator on a funded grant.

**Extramural funding required:**

- Major Federal grant (> $500,000)
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The criteria for excellence in the practice of Pathology varies from discipline to discipline because the clinical spectrum of Pathology practice is diverse. In general, the Department expects the timely delivery of diagnoses within and exceeding published turnaround times, and accuracy in diagnoses. Intradepartmental consultation through such venues as “consensus conferences” is expected.

Assessment of excellence in education is conducted by the Department's Division of Pathology Education. Expectations for excellence in education is a component of the Department's Practice Plan.

The criteria for excellence in research on the CT track also varies with the interests of the individual faculty member. In general, publications should go well beyond the “confirm and extend” manuscript and should contribute genuinely novel information to the literatures. Some faculty members on the CT track in Pathology will be primary investigators; other faculty members will be key members of multidisciplinary teams. In the era of translational research emphases, membership in transdisciplinary teams and participation in transdisciplinary publication is a priority of the Department of Pathology. Faculty members should present the findings of their research efforts at the key academic meetings in their fields.
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- Development of educational materials, review courses
- Residency or fellowship program direction with continued ACGME accreditation

**Demonstration of excellence in teaching includes:**
- Teaching peer review
- Residents/fellows AM conference and rotation evaluations
- Medical student evaluations

### Scholarly Productivity

**Suggested types of publications:**
- Review article
- Book chapter
- Case report
- Retrospective study
- Prospective study

Type of journal, journal impact factor also to be considered (quality over quantity)
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Career Tracks for Full-time Faculty Members

The Department of Pediatrics has faculty appointed in FOUR tracks. Full-time faculty members will be evaluated for promotion, and in two of the four career tracks for tenure, by four sets of standards. These standards are designed to recognize and reward faculty performance and career growth in the four areas important to the school: research; education; clinical and community service; and professional leadership. Emphasis is placed on the quality, while considering the quantity, of faculty scholarship, teaching, and professional accomplishment.

Faculty members, under guidance and with the assistance of their supervisors and mentors, should develop and maintain an academic dossier to guide their career development and assist in their evaluation for promotion. The dossier should document that a faculty member meets or exceeds the standards described for one of the four academic tracks. Individual faculty dossiers will vary in character but must demonstrate the achievement of excellence and scholarship appropriate for the faculty member’s career stage. Dossiers also should define a faculty member’s contributions to meeting institutional goals and objectives.

Teaching should be the common denominator in all academic dossiers since the essence of a great medical school is the integration of teaching with scholarship (discovery) and/or clinical service and professional accomplishment.

The standards against which faculty members on each academic track should be evaluated are presented below. These standards represent the minimum requirements to be met before a faculty member is recommended for a promotion and/or tenure decision. At the same time, they do not represent absolute standards rather they should serve as guidelines to evaluate individual accomplishments and credentials.

Tenure track (Clinical-Teaching)

The Tenure Track (CT) is designed for physicians or other health care professionals who will spend at least half of their time in clinical or other service activities. Distinguished performance in clinical affairs or service is expected. In addition to teaching responsibilities, these faculty members will pursue original research, but the time devoted to research will be more limited than for a faculty member on the Research-Teaching track. Their research work may be in the sciences or medicine, and often will be stimulated and/or informed by clinical experience.

Assistant Professor

- Requires competency in a clinical specialty, commitment to excellent patient care and to the development or use of innovative medical technology and systems of patient care
- Participates in research activities
- Demonstrates scholarly productivity through authorship of publications in refereed journals and/or the dissemination of clinical knowledge and technological advances through various media and professional communications
- Demonstrates commitment to professional and health education
Associate Professor and/or Tenure

- To be promoted in this track to Associate, the faculty member usually spends at least six years in the rank of assistant professor, unless exceptional achievement is demonstrated
- Continually publishes research results in refereed journals or publishes reviews, chapters, or educational textbooks
- Continually disseminates clinical or educational knowledge and technological advances through various media and professional communications
- Receives recognition for outstanding competence and/or innovation in a clinical discipline as evidenced by a regional or national reputation and/or a leadership role in regional or national clinical affairs
- Demonstrates continued excellence in professional education, preferably with evidence of an administrative and/or leadership role in undergraduate, graduate, or continuing medical education
- Makes service contributions to the school and/or University
- Receives substantial external professional recognition

Professor

- Reserved for those faculty members whose achievements as clinicians and educators have brought distinction to the school, usually requires at least five years in the rank of associate professor
- Continually publishes important papers, reviews, chapters, or textbooks on research, clinical medicine, and/or education that have advanced the faculty member’s field of expertise
- Receives recognition as a premier practitioner and innovator or leader in clinical service as evidenced by a regional or national reputation
- Pursues continued excellence in institutional professional education as demonstrated by an administrative and/or leadership role in undergraduate, graduate, or continuing medical education, and a regional or national reputation in professional education and training
- Provides scholarly leadership and service to the school and/or University
- Achieves the highest form of external professional recognition

Tenure Track (Research-Teaching)

The Tenure track (Research-Teaching) is designed for physicians or other health care professionals who will devote most of their time to original, independent research. In addition to teaching responsibilities, these faculty members will have clinical or other service responsibilities, but the time and effort devoted to service will generally be limited. The criteria for promotion will be weighted accordingly. The research programs of these faculty members will address the sciences or medicine, including medical education.

Assistant Professor

- Requires competency in a clinical specialty and commitment to excellent patient care
- Demonstrates commitment to original scientific or medical research
- Demonstrates scholarly productivity through authorship of publications in refereed journals as a first author
- Receives initial external, peer-reviewed research funding (desirable but not required)
- Demonstrates commitment to professional education and research training
**Associate Professor and/or Tenure**

- Usually requires at least six years in the rank of assistant professor, unless exceptional achievement is demonstrated
- Continually publishes innovative, independent research in refereed journals as first or senior author
- Receives recognition from scientific peers for scholarly work as evidenced by external funding of research grants and contracts
- Develops appropriate clinical skills and participates in clinical programs associated with the Medical School
- Demonstrates continued excellence in medical education and research training
- Makes service contributions to the school and/or University
- Receives substantial external professional recognition

**Professor**

- Reserved for those faculty members whose achievements in basic or clinical research and service have brought distinction to the school, usually requires at least five years in the rank of associate professor
- Continually publishes innovative, original studies in refereed journals that have advanced the faculty member’s field of research or clinical discipline
- Receives national recognition by peers as a premier investigator with a continuing record of external research funding
- Receives recognition for competence in a clinical discipline and continues to contribute to clinical programs associated with the Medical School
- Demonstrates continued excellence in professional education and research training/mentoring
- Provides scholarly leadership and service to the school and/or University
- Achieves the highest form of external professional recognition

**Research Track Non-tenure**

Full-time faculty scientists without clinical responsibility will be appointed to the research track. These faculty members must qualify for the rank of assistant professor before appointment to the investigator track. Faculty members who do not qualify may be appointed for no more than two years at the rank of instructor.

**Assistant Professor**

- Requires preparation for and early demonstration of the capacity to perform original, independent, scientific or medical research
- Demonstrates scientific productivity through authorship of scholarly work in refereed journals as first author
- Receives initial external peer-reviewed research funding (desirable but not required)
- Demonstrates commitment to research training and professional education

**Associate Professor and/or Tenure**

- Usually requires at least six years in the rank of assistant professor, unless exceptional achievement is demonstrated
- Continually publishes innovative, original research in refereed journals as first or senior author
• Receives recognition by scientific peers for independent, original research that advances the faculty member’s field of study as evidenced by external funding of research grants and contracts
• Demonstrates excellence in research training and professional education
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• Receives substantial external professional recognition

Professor

• Reserved for the most distinguished faculty investigators, usually requires at least five years in the rank of associate professor with a record of outstanding performance
• Continually publishes innovative, original research in refereed journals that advances the faculty member’s field of research
• Receives national recognition by peers as a premier investigator with continued external funding for research
• Maintains record of continued research training, mentoring, and professional education with a high level of documented effectiveness
• Provides scholarly leadership in research and education
• Makes service contributions to the school and/or University
• Achieves the highest form of external professional recognition for scholarship

Clinical track Non-Tenure

The Clinician track is designed for physicians, or other health care professionals, who will spend most of their time in service, usually in clinical activities, including the teaching and training of health professionals. Scholarly activity is encouraged in the full-time faculty members appointed to this track. In many cases, this will involve work with clinical trials, the analysis and reporting of clinical experience, or collaboration on research projects directed by other faculty members. In addition to teaching performance, advancement will depend on the achievement of clinical expertise and reputation, as well as participation and leadership in community and professional activities.

Assistant Professor

• Requires competency in a clinical specialty with commitment to excellent patient care and clinical teaching in the academic medical center
• Demonstrates commitment to scholarly productivity based on experiential clinical observation and/or work in education, with an initial record of publication in refereed journals or the dissemination of knowledge through various media and professional communication or demonstrated contributions to professional and health education

Associate Professor

• Usually requires at least six years in the rank of assistant professor, unless exceptional achievement is demonstrated
• Publishes clinical observations or educational work in referred journals, or disseminates clinical observations, technological advances, innovations in practice, or educational programs through various media or professional programs
• Makes major contributions to the school’s clinical programs and the development of clinical skills or programs that are locally or regionally recognized, or demonstrates a leadership role in local or regional clinical affairs and professional organizations
• Demonstrates continued institutional contributions in professional education
• Makes service contributions to the school and/or University
• Receives external professional recognition

Professor

• Reserved for faculty members whose achievements as clinicians and/or educators have brought distinction to their practice, hospital, and the Medical School, usually requires at least five years in the rank of associate professor
• Publishes clinical observations or educational work in referred journals, or authors/edits books and professional reports. Although not required, special consideration will be given if extramural funds are acquired to support clinical and/or educational activities
• Receives recognition as a premier practitioner with outstanding competence in clinical service and/or as a leader in the development and implementation of programs that advance the local and/or regional standard of patient care; enjoys a national reputation in his/her clinical discipline
• Assumes a leadership role in local or regional clinical affairs and professional organizations
• Makes outstanding institutional contributions to professional education, usually acknowledged through awards and leadership positions
• Makes service contributions to the school and/or University
• Receives substantial external professional recognition
• Department chairs are responsible for recommending appointment of a faculty member to a career track and recommending a track switch.

Definition of External Professional Recognition

External professional recognition should be progressively garnered from local, regional, national, and international sources as a faculty member’s career advances. The following items, or those of a similar nature, should be used to judge professional recognition.

• Received prizes and awards
• Elected as a member of scientific or professional societies and organizations
• Invited to serve as visiting or endowed professor
• Requested to plan or lead symposia, conferences, or professional society programs
• Appointed to scientific or medical peer-review bodies
• Appointed to scientific, medical, or government advisory or regulatory bodies
• Appointed or elected to membership on governing councils or as an officer of scientific, government, and professional organizations
• Appointed to editorial boards or as editor.
Statement of Department Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

Department of Pharmacology & Regenerative Medicine

Associate Professor (RT) of Pharmacology

RESEARCH

Quality of research contributions will be defined by the degree to which these contributions are recognized by peers and advance understanding of the field. Recognition will be determined by the constellation of accomplishments that accompany peer recognition of scientific contributions. These include high quality publications in high quality peer-reviewed journals, extramural funding (specifically NIH R01 grants or an R01 equivalent on an NIH program project grant), and invitations to chair symposia or speak at national or international meetings, serve on national advisory committees, serve on journal editorial boards, requests to review manuscripts, write reviews, serve as a visiting professor, and the ability to attract PhD students and post-doctoral trainees. Research productivity is considered as the primary criterion for promotion.

Criteria for Assessment for Research Productivity and Performance:

Publication – Publications in high quality peer-reviewed journals and judged by citation indexes and evaluations by peers are the most important measure of research productivity and essential for promotion.

Peer Evaluation – Recognition of significant scientific contributions by peer evaluation is another important criterion. This will be evident by (a) invitations to present research findings at scientific meetings or other institutions; (b) chairing, organizing symposia, and writing scholarly reviews; (c) service on editorial boards; (d) receipt of research prizes and awards; (e) serving as a consultant (e.g., NIH, Pharma); (f) writing or editing textbooks; (g) serving on national advisory committees or study sections; (h) reviewing manuscripts; and, (i) serving as visiting scholar at other institutions.

Extramural Funding - Receipt of research support (NIH R01) on the basis of competition among peer-reviewed research proposals is an essential promotion criterion. Candidates will be recommended for promotion if they are Principal Investigator on at least one NIH R01 grant or an NIH P01 grant. NIH R01 or NIH P01 funding are pre-requisites to sustain innovative and productive research programs and are thus deemed critical for assessment of candidate’s research success. Funding from foundations or non-profit organizations (such as Pew, AHA, etc.), or certain types of federal awards such as R03, or VA Merit award etc. are considered additive but by themselves do not qualify as equivalents of NIH R01 or NIH P01 funding.

A critical element for promotion will also include salary recovery on extramural funding to be negotiated with the department head and based on institutional policy. Additional funding beyond an R01 or P01 project will be indicative of exceptional academic performance and may be coupled to rapid track recommendation for promotion. Faculty receiving sustained industry contracts for their research program or other extramural
funding will be evaluated by the Faculty Advisory Committee and department head to assess the potential of this funding in sustaining high impact science.

TEACHING

The teaching mission of the department includes: (1) teaching pharmacology for medical students; (2) graduate courses for PhD students (3) research training of pre- and post-doctoral trainees. While not all faculty may contribute equally to these teaching programs, all faculty are required to participate in teaching of courses offered by the department based on consultation with and requests from individual course directors and department head. Newly appointed assistant professors are typically expected to have very little teaching duties in the first two to three years of their appointment. Overall teaching performance as judged by the criteria below will also be considered essential for promotion.

Criteria for Assessment of Teaching Performance:

**Teaching in Professional Schools** - Teaching effectiveness in medical school pharmacology will be assessed by: (1) quality of lectures, which includes lecture organization, material selection, handouts; (2) availability to students requiring assistance; (3) evaluation by course director.

**Teaching Graduate Level Courses** - Teaching effectiveness will be assessed by: (1) quality of lectures, organization, material content; (2) availability to students that require additional information or assistance; and (3) evaluation by course director

**Training of Doctoral Candidates and Post-Doctoral Fellows** - This area of teaching and mentoring represents a major commitment of the pharmacology faculty. Training effectiveness will be assessed by: (1) research productivity including publications, and presentation skills of trainees; (2) facilitating career development; (3) fostering independent and critical thinking as indicated by submission and receipt of fellowship grants; (4) placement of trainees on completion of training; (4) demonstration of continued progress of the trainee while in the program.

SERVICE

Service functions of faculty consist of a variety of activities including serving on departmental, college, and university committees.

Criteria for Assessment:

Service to department, college, and university committees; (2) membership on committees serving professional societies; (3) membership on national advisory committees and study sections.
Professor (RT) of Pharmacology

The Department expects that promotion to the rank of Professor requires outstanding scholarship as supported by accomplishments in research with national and international recognition. The decision about promotion to the rank of Professor is based on the same fundamental criteria that guide evaluations for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor. For promotion to Professor, the expectations of attainment in these three areas are greater than for promotion to Associate Professor. The precise expectations may vary based on individual cases, but the common requirement is documented evidence of outstanding quality, productivity, and scholarly impact. There is no single scale that can be used, as there are many combinations of quantity, quality, and pace of scholarly activities. However, there are general principles that the Department would apply as uniformly as possible.

TIMING

Unlike promotion to Associate Professor with its 6-year tenure clock, promotion to Professor has no mandated time period. Every faculty member at Associate Rank will be considered at an appropriate juncture based on input from multiple sources including peers, Faculty Advisory Committee and general perception of candidate’s readiness.

SCHOLARSHIP

As a premier research department, expectations regarding the scholarly record of our faculty are high and meant to maintain a culture of academic and scholarly excellence. Indications of these include a sustained level of high quality publications and NIH as well as other extramural funding.

Criteria of Assessment:

- Recognition as a leader in a defined area of research
- Number and scientific impact of original research publications in
- Sustained and consistent record of scholarly activity as judged by peers, Faculty Advisory Committee and department head.

Principal Investigator on i) two NIH R01 grants; ii) one NIH R01 grant and one NIH P01 project; or iii) two NIH P01 projects. Being a co-Principal Investigator of a Multi-PI NIH R01 award is considered equivalent to Principal Investigator for the purposes of promotion if the candidate is the sole Principal Investigator on at least one R01 grant or the Project Leader of a P01 project. Funding from prestigious private foundations (Pew, AHA etc.), or certain types of federal awards like R03, or VA Merit award etc. are considered additive and by themselves do not qualify as equivalents of NIH R01 or NIH P01 funding. Stable NIH R01 or NIH P01 funding are pre-requisites to sustain innovative and productive research programs and are thus critical determinants for promotion.
- **Teaching** - Highly evaluated teaching record is a necessary part of a successful promotion case. Teaching is viewed broadly, including curriculum planning, course design, student reactions and success, and mentoring of trainees.

**Criteria of Assessment:**

The basic expectations for the promotion to the Professor rank in terms of teaching are similar to those for promotion to the Associate Professor rank but also include demonstration of engagement in at least one of the two following areas:

**Mentoring record** - Advising of students, graduate and postdoctoral trainees, is a significant contribution to the institutional teaching mission. At the time of promotion to Professor rank, a faculty member will have demonstrated a significant record of working with and mentoring students, including, where appropriate, chairing graduate student committees and thesis committees. Demonstrated success in placing trainees.

**Directing graduate courses and serving as a role model** - Developing a course curriculum, taking into consideration recent advancements and directing a graduate level course and serving as a role model for next generation of scientists.

**Service**

The Department expects that the successful candidate be involved operation of their department, contribute to its vitality, mentor junior faculty members, and provide service to the University as well as in national associations or serve on study sections or advisory councils to the NIH.
Department of Physiology and Biophysics
Norms and Guidelines for Promotion: Academic (RT) Track [Research/Teaching]

Research: Candidates should have a steady output of high quality publications, published in peer reviewed journals. The work should be of impact as judged by outside comments and invitations to be on editorial boards, study sections, give seminars, and presentations at national and international symposia. Candidates should also have a consistent record of outside funding for research and training. The source of funding could come from a variety of government and non-profit organizations, such as the Public Health Service (i.e. NIH, NIAAA, NIDA), the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, etc. Significant funding from collaborative efforts is an equal measure of scientific recognition.

Teaching: Excellence in teaching means a thoughtful, caring and consistent effort in the teaching of professional, graduate, and post-doctoral students as measured by criteria as outlined below. Teaching of research is measured by evaluation of papers published by trainees, and by their success and positions after training has ended.

Service: Service is deemed excellent on the basis of the impact of committees on which one serves and by diligent activity in that work.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Given that diversity, equity, and inclusion are foundational at UIC, all faculty hired after August 2021 must include in their dossiers a personal statement on their commitment and work to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion at UIC and within the scientific community. The candidate should provide examples of scholarship, research, teaching, creative activity, or service relevant to the institutional commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, and describe his/her/their plan for future activities.

PROFESSOR
Specific requirements are listed below, general requirements include:

- Demonstrated continuing excellence in both teaching and research
- A creative, productive and sustained research program
- Demonstrated leadership
- National Recognition

A. Research
Documentation of Excellence as demonstrated by creative and original research and measured by:

- A record of quality publications: Examples of quality publications includes but is not limited to: The American Journal of Physiology, American Heart Association Journals, e.g. Circulation Research, Journal of Biological Chemistry, Endocrinology, Nature
- Consistency of productivity/performance
- External support for research: one or more nationally funded grants
- Presentations (invited) at scholarly meetings and conferences
- Service on national scientific advisory boards
- Election to office on National Scientific Advisory Boards

B. Excellence in teaching as demonstrated and measured by:

Graduate and Professional Students

- Student evaluations
- Peer appraisal of instruction
- Unique contributions in development of new instructional material/methodology
- Teaching responsibility, i.e. teaching workload
- Formal recognition of distinction in teaching within the University
• National recognition, e.g. publications related to teaching
• Books

Postdoctoral
• Quality of trainee presentations at national meetings
• Quality of papers published by trainees
• A trainee’s ability to obtain outside funding during the training period

C. Service
• Active involvement in College/University administration, i.e. serving on committees
• Participation in interdepartmental training or research programs
• Student advising
• Acting as a representative of the department/College/University to outside agencies
• Acting as chairperson of course committees
• Involvement in the design or delivery of continuing education programs

D. Diversity, equity, and inclusion
Service, research, and/or teaching activities aimed at promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion may include (but are not limited to):

Research
• Research that addresses issues such as race, gender, diversity, and inclusion.
• Research that addresses health disparities.

Teaching
• Record of success advising and mentoring students or colleagues from groups underrepresented in the faculty member’s discipline.
• Developing and participating in programs and curricula designed to enhance participation of students from underrepresented groups, such as the Summer Prematriculation Program
• Serving as an advisor to programs such as Women in Science and Engineering, Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP), Las Ganas, or other similar programs

Service
• Leadership in a professional organization’s equity, inclusion, and/or diversity work.
• Membership on departmental or university committees related to equity and inclusion.
• Participation and/or leadership in efforts to increase participation of underrepresented students in undergraduate and graduate programs.
• Engagement in seminars, conferences, or institutes that address the concerns of women and underrepresented minorities.
• Presentations for under-represented communities.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
Specific requirements are the same as those listed above for Professor, general requirements include:
• An active research program
• Significant contributions to scientific literature
• Should demonstrate promise of becoming a leader in their field by attaining some recognition at the national level.

A. Excellence in teaching as demonstrated and measured by:
Same as outlined for Professor.

B. Excellence in teaching as demonstrated and measured by:
Same as outlined for Professor.
C. Service
Same as outlined for Professor.

D. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Same as outlined for Professor.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
- Demonstrated evidence of original research in the form of publications in refereed journals
- Should demonstrate promise of making significant contributions in their field of work and of attaining national funding support

A. Research
Documentation of Excellence as demonstrated by creative and original research and measured by:
- Quality and number of publications:
- Consistency of productivity/performance
- External support for research
- Presentations (Invited) at scholarly meetings and conferences

B. Excellence in teaching as demonstrated and measured by:
Same as outlined for Professor.

C. Service
Same as outlined for Professor.

D. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Same as outlined for Professor.

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Statement of Unit/College Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

**Department of Psychiatry: Standards for Promotion and Tenure on the Academic (RT) Track**

The Department uses the general scheme outlined in the manual labeled "Criteria and Guidelines for Appointment and Promotion of Faculty, UIC College of Medicine," with some additional features that are appropriate to the field of Psychiatry.

Promotion in our department on the Academic (RT) Track is for faculty, both clinical and basic science, with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Promotion of faculty in the Academic (RT) Track depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research and teaching, and a national reputation for one’s scholarship (to achieve Associate Professor) or a reputation as a national leader (to achieve the rank of Professor). The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research and excellence.

The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are important. In addition, and fitting with general standards in the field of psychiatry, in our department the volume of publication is also a criterion for promotion with the expectation that all publications will be in established, top tier scientific journals in the field. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is also important for advancement in rank to Associate Professor or Full Professor. External support should be at the level of an investigator initiated grant (RO1) from the NIH or comparable multi-year (three or more years) from the National Science Foundation (NSF) or the Veterans Administration. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conference research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory committees are additional criteria for promotion in the Research Track.

Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be contributions to the mission of department and College, although in such cases significant externally funded research activity is also expected, both in terms of quality of research and volume of productivity of research. These include mentorship of junior faculty and the training of both graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. Service to the University is an important faculty responsibility and is therefore a factor in appointment and promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient in the absence of substantial research activity.
**Associate Professor**
The rank of Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University’s programs. There is no automatic promotion to the Associate Professor level based solely on years in rank. Documentation of excellence is required.

Faculty at this rank should be actively engaged in research. Establishment of an independently funded research program is a fundamental requirement for promotion to Associate Professor on the Research Track. As noted in the general standards outlined above, for promotion to Associate Professor there should be a good volume of publications in established, top tier peer-reviewed journals. Faculty should be contributing significant new information to the scientific literature, and should have attained recognition at the national level. In addition, faculty members should have demonstrated an ability to bring in grant money on a very sustained basis. Approximately 25-30 papers published in peer reviewed journals and external funding as described above are critical to promotion in this track.

**Professor**
The rank of Professor on the Research Track signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank. Documentation of excellence is required.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated continuing excellence in research, should have shown significant innovation in their work, and should have a high level of productivity in terms of both the quantity and quality of their publications. Significant grant activity is also expected. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields, which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University, and should be recognized nationally as leaders for their accomplishments. National recognition as a researcher is expected in all domains relevant to research including productivity (approximately 50 peer reviewed papers), federal funding and a history of mentorship in the field.
Statement of Unit/College Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

Department of Psychiatry: Standards for Promotion and Tenure on the Academic (CT) Track

The Department uses the general scheme outlined in the manual labeled "Criteria and Guidelines for Appointment and Promotion of Faculty, UIC College of Medicine," with some additional features that fit our field.

In general promotion in the department on the Academic (CT) Track is for faculty with a strong commitment to and demonstrated excellence in teaching and Research; and service including patient care and/or leadership in clinical administration or administration of major educational programs. While being clinically active is a core requirement in this track, promotion in this track is usually achieved through national visibility in the development and application of creative advances in psychiatric care and the fostering of such clinical care in students through teaching excellence. In addition, in the Department of Psychiatry, scholarly activity with evidence of external grant support leading to a reasonable number of publications of high quality is required.

It is expected that individuals being appointed or promoted in the Academic (CT) Track will be excellent clinicians and clinical researchers/administrators. It is further expected that they will be able to use these skills as a base for teaching students and residents, enabling the faculty member to serve as a role model for students. Affirmation of the high quality of clinical practice may be used as one indication of peer recognition, although other types of recognition also are expected.

The numbers of publications considered adequate to meet this requirement are fewer than in the Academic (Research/Teaching) Track. However, for promotion there is still an expectation of a regular series of publications in established peer-reviewed journals. Quality of publications is also important, in addition to overall quantity. Presentation of papers at scholarly meetings or conferences, especially when the papers are screened by a review committee, chapters in relevant books or participation in national and/or international meetings or organization of sessions for such meetings are also criteria for promotion. The receipt of external funds and research grants to support research and scholarly activities would also be essential for promotion.

In addition, to achieve tenure in the Department of Psychiatry, for those on the Academic (CT) Track who are involved in clinical or administrative work, colleagueship or being able to work effectively with other people is one additional consideration. The ability to work across disciplines, in teams, is considered necessary for good administrative and clinical work.
**Associate Professor**

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated excellence in teaching and patient care, or should be directing an important clinical service or an important education or training program. Clinical activity is a core requirement for promotion. In addition, there is an expectation of research productivity. Although the requirements concerning research-scholarship are less than the expectations concerning individuals in the Academic (RT) Track, it is still expected that there will be approximately 20-25 publications in established peer-reviewed journals. External support for research/scholarly activities is expected on this track.

Faculty in this rank should show promise of becoming leaders in their fields, should have demonstrated both excellence and leadership in the clinical/clinical administrator area, or the teaching/training area, and should have attained a reputation of excellence at the regional level.

**Professor**

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated continued excellence in their teaching, patient care and research activities and should be engaged in outstanding scholarly activity. They should have demonstrated the type of leadership in their field, at a national level, which brings recognition and enhances the stature of the University. Thus, they should be recognized as national leaders for their contributions. External support for research is necessary together with excellence in clinical work and education. National prominence is necessary in all domains germane to the academic medicine – teaching, research and patient care.
Statement of Unit/College Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

Standards for Promotion on the Clinical Discipline Track

Overall, our Department uses the general scheme outlined in the manual labeled “Criteria and Guidelines for Appointment and Promotion of Faculty, UIC College of Medicine,” with some additional features that fit our Department and field.

To be eligible on this track, a faculty member must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities. Primary commitment by the faculty member to College of Medicine Programs is expected, and to the mission of the Department by major contributions in education and/or clinical programs. Faculty in this track are not on the tenure track or already tenured, and will be required to sign a waiver of tenure agreement.

Appointment or promotion of faculty on the Clinical Discipline Track depends primarily on teaching and patient care, and promotion on this track requires regional or national stature in the field of psychiatry or in psychiatry-related disciplines. Individuals on this track will frequently be key contributors to the Department’s educational or clinical programs. At the ranks of Instructor of Clinical Discipline and Assistant Professor of Clinical Discipline, a commitment to teaching and service must be evident; appointment or promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Discipline or Professor of Clinical Discipline requires clear documentation of regional or national recognition, stature in the field and scholarly productivity. All faculty members in the Clinical Discipline Series are expected to meet a hundred percent of their assigned clinical targets.

In general, promotion in our Department on the Clinical Discipline Track is primarily for faculty who are involved in leadership roles in major clinical programs or in major educational programs.

Associate Professor of Clinical Discipline: Faculty at this rank should be widely recognized on at least a regional or national level in education or in clinical administration and must demonstrate scholarly productivity. Clinical productivity targets should be fully and consistently met and candidates will receive extra credit if directing or administering a clinical or educational program of importance to the Department. However, clinical work and teaching, although necessary, are not sufficient for promotion. Scholarly productivity is required although less than in the Academic (CT) Track.

Examples of scholarly productivity could include but are not limited to:

1. Published case reports or letters to the editor in peer-reviewed journals on which the candidate is first/second author, or is the senior/last author if the first and second authors are trainees/students.
2. Published peer reviewed papers on which the candidate is a collaborator/co-investigator.
3. Published review papers or chapters on which the candidate is an author or co-author.
4. Workshop presentations at national or international meetings if the candidate is the presenter (first author), or is the senior/last author if the first author/presenter is a trainee/student.
5. Authorship or co-authorship of new curricula for residency or medical school education.

Leadership in education or leadership in directing a major clinical division is a significant component of the criteria for this track. This rank also may be used to recognize teaching excellence when performed at a very high level and with resulting scholarly contributions in terms of publications. Scholarly productivity should be active and ongoing.

**Professor of Clinical Discipline:** Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated ongoing productivity at a high level of professional accomplishment in directing teaching programs or in directing patient care programs and should be recognized at the national level for achievement in at least one of these areas, or in scholarship. At the level of Professor of Clinical Discipline, less scholarship is required than in the academic (CT) track. It is expected that at the level of Professor of Clinical Discipline, the candidate will demonstrate leadership by administering a major program in the Department or College in education or administering a clinical division or program, will be nationally recognized and will be making contributions at a national level. In addition, an active track record of scholarly productivity including peer reviewed authorship in papers, chapters and reviews is expected for promotion to Full Professor in this track.
Statement of Unit/College Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

Department of Psychiatry:
Standards for Promotion on the Research Track

Overall, our Department uses the general scheme outlined in the manual “Criteria and Guidelines for Appointment and Promotion of Faculty, UIC College of Medicine,” with some additional features that fit our field.

In general, promotion on the Research Track is for faculty members with significant commitment to research science. Promotion depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research, and on either beginning to obtain national recognition for one’s scholarship (to achieve Associate Professor) or already having achieved strong national recognition (to achieve the rank of Professor). Typically, faculty on this track have reduced teaching and service responsibilities, but greater research activity than faculty on other tracks. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research and excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion.

The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are important. In addition, and fitting with general standards in the field of psychiatry, in our department the volume of publication is also a criterion for promotion with the expectation that at least a moderate number of publications will be in peer-reviewed journals. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is also important for advancement in rank to Associate Professor or Professor. However, the Department also recognizes that with the increasing difficulty in obtaining grants, not all faculty in the Research Track will be able to obtain grants. In such cases where grant funding is extremely difficult to obtain it is expected that there will be an even higher level of productivity in the form of publications and national recognition for one’s research. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conference research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory are additional criteria for promotion in the Research Track.

Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be contributions to the mission of department and College, although in such cases significant research activity is also expected, both in terms of quality of research and volume of productivity of research. Service to the University is an important faculty responsibility and is therefore a factor in appointment and promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient in the absence of research activity.
**Associate Professor**

The rank of Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University’s programs. There is no automatic promotion to the Associate Professor level based solely on years in rank. Documentation of excellence is required. Faculty at this rank should be actively engaged in research. Establishment of a research program is a fundamental requirement for promotion to Associate Professor on the Research Track. As noted in the general standards outlined above, for promotion to Associate Professor there should be a good volume of publications, with at least a moderate number of them in peer-reviewed journals, and there should be high quality publications. Faculty should be contributing significant new information to the scientific literature, and should have attained some recognition at the national level. In addition, faculty members should have demonstrated an ability to bring in grant money on a very sustained basis. As an alternative, in the absence of federal grants, the faculty member should be making significant and almost indispensable contributions to other funded research programs.

**Professor**

The rank of Professor on the Research Track signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank. Documentation of excellence is required.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated continuing excellence in research, should have shown significant innovation in their work, and should have a high level of productivity in terms of both the quantity and quality of their publications. Significant grant activity is also expected. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields, which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University, and should be recognized nationally for their accomplishments.
Department of Radiology

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Department of Radiology Guidelines for Promotion to the Rank of Associate Professor Academic Clinical and Teaching, Tenured (CT)

The Academic Clinical and Teaching (CT) tenured track is used for clinical faculty with a primary commitment to, and demonstrated excellence in, the missions of patient care, teaching, service, and scholarly activity. Appointment, reappointment and promotion in this track is achieved through the development and/or application of creative advances in medical care, the fostering of such clinical care in students, residents, fellows, and/or graduate students through teaching excellence, service to the field and/or specialty, and scholarly activity—in education or in the advancement of medical practice—leading to publications. Contributions to each area within or outside (locally and/or regionally) the University will be evaluated for promotion and tenure decisions, recognizing that the quantity of work in each area will vary given differing faculty member roles, but with the expectation that the quality of work will be excellent. General goals and expectations for the missions are described in further detail below.

**Patient care**

All candidates for promotion to Associate Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should be key contributors to the Department’s clinical activities. Promotion to Associate Professor of Radiology (CT) requires clear documentation of excellence in patient care and demonstration of a high quality and substantial clinical practice. The development of a quality practice providing the opportunity for the development of new clinical approaches and technologies is of major importance when performance is judged. Affirmation of the high quality of clinical practice may be used as an indication of peer recognition. Examples of the standards by which clinical care excellence is accomplished are listed below. A candidate need not meet all of the listed clinical care criteria.

- Programmatic development (e.g. National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer, Inferior Vena Cava Filter Clinic)
- Service line creation (e.g. prostate imaging, breast tomosynthesis, new Interventional Radiology procedure offering)
- Clinical trial involvement (e.g. investigator initiated, multicenter, industry sponsored)
- Tumor Board participation/liaison (e.g. Colorectal, Gynecology Oncology, Lung Cancer, Thyroid, Head and Neck, Neurology, Urology, Breast cancer, among others)
**Teaching**
All candidates for promotion to Associate Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate excellence in education. Although some educational accomplishments are subjective, there should also be objective evidence of educational value provided to medical students, residents, fellows, and/or faculty. Examples of the standards by which educational excellence is accomplished are listed below. A candidate need not meet all of the listed educational criteria. Mentorship is considered a subjective accomplishment, and is strongly encouraged.

- Trainee evaluations: excellent scores (at least 4 out of 5) as documented by New Innovations (or similar) data
- Teaching methodology or program development (such as interactive technology)
- Teaching honors, recognitions, or awards
- Syllabi/curriculum/workshop development: content creation
- Substantial educational commitment
  - PACS-side teaching (considered part of teaching hours)
  - Resident, medical student, and/or fellow lectures
- Lecture invitations: inter-departmental or inter-institutional, societal
- Educational Committee leadership/participation: medical student and/or resident
- Mentorship: medical student, resident, fellow, graduate student

**Service**
All candidates for promotion to Associate Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate a strong commitment to service. They should show promise of becoming leaders in their fields, which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University. Examples of the standards by which service commitment is accomplished are listed below. A candidate need not meet all of the listed service criteria.

- Leadership and/or administrative committees: 2 or more consecutive years of membership in two substantial departmental, hospital, college, campus, or university committees is recommended (may not apply to individuals who apply for promotion less than two years following implementation of these guidelines). Committees include, but not limited to the following:
  - Radiology Leadership Committee (Departmental)
  - QI Committee (Departmental)
  - Medical Staff Executive Committee (Hospital)
  - Credentials Committee (Hospital)
  - Cancer Committee (Hospital)
  - Bylaws Committee (Hospital)
- EHR Committee (Hospital)
- Medical Ethics (Hospital)
- Medical Staff Review Board (Hospital)
- Quality/Safety/Risk (Hospital)
- Student Promotions Committee (COM Chicago)
- Committee on Student Promotions (COM)
- Curriculum Committee (COM Chicago)
- Committee on Admissions (COM)
- Committee on Instruction and Appraisal (COM)
- Committee on Research (COM)
- Committee on Student Awards and Scholarship (COM)
- Committee on Continuing Medical Education (COM and COM Chicago)
- Committee on Faculty Awards (COM)
- MSP Board of Directors (COM)
- Search committees

- Leadership positions
  - Clerkship/residency leadership (e.g. Program Director, Associate Program Director, Medical Student clerkship director)
  - Chief, Director of hospital specialty, or section head
  - Professional Society Membership/Leadership (e.g. local or regional)

- Peer review
  - Letters of support from former residents and UIH clinical faculty

- Participation in medical school interviews (2 per year prorated from the start of this guideline)

- Community outreach

- Interdepartmental Liaison

**Scholarship**

All candidates for promotion to Associate Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate a strong commitment to scholarship and should be engaged in scholarly activity that results in substantial contributions in the field. Articles in refereed journals, case reports, review articles, abstracts, and book chapters may be considered to meet the requirement for publications in this track. The candidate need not be the senior author, but evidence of significant involvement in the work or in the preparation of the publications should be provided. The publications considered adequate to meet this requirement are fewer than in the Academic (Research/Teaching) Track. Quality of publications is more important than overall quantity. Presentation of papers at scholarly meetings or conferences, especially when the papers are screened by a review committee, or participation in national and/or international
meetings or organization of sessions for such meetings are important criteria for promotion. The receipt of external funds for research and other scholarly pursuits is encouraged but not required for promotion in this track. Examples of standards for these categories of achievement are listed below, but are not meant to be all-inclusive. A candidate need not meet all of the listed scholarship criteria.

- Participation in local and/or regional meetings (invited lectures, presentations, abstracts)
- Peer-reviewed publications (quality of publication > quantity of publications, e.g. first/last author publications more important than number of publications)
  - Mean H-index for Radiology Associate Professors is 6.2 ± 7.2 (see Rad AE et al. The H-index in academic radiology. Acad Radiol 2010; 17:817-821)
- Research grants as Principal Investigator or co-Investigator (e.g. Departmental, College, University, Societal, Foundational)
- Book chapters
- Participation in journal article review and/or editorial boards
- Societal and/or foundational committee participation and/or leadership
- Development of web or digital training modules and/or courses
- Clinical guidelines or materials for physicians
- Policy statements
- Quality Improvement efforts
Department of Radiology Guidelines for Promotion to the Rank of Professor Academic Clinical and Teaching Tenured (CT)

The Academic Clinical and Teaching (CT) tenure track is used for clinical faculty with a primary commitment to, and demonstrated excellence in, the missions of patient care, teaching, service, and scholarly activity. Appointment, reappointment and promotion in this track is achieved through the development and/or application of creative advances in medical care, the fostering of such clinical care in students, residents, fellows, and/or graduate students through teaching excellence, service to the field and/or specialty, and scholarly activity—in education or in the advancement of medical practice—leading to publications. Contributions to each area within and outside (national or international) the University will be evaluated for promotion and tenure decisions, recognizing that the quantity of work in each area will vary given differing faculty member roles, but with the expectation that the quality of work will be excellent. General goals and expectations for the missions are described in further detail below.

Patient care
All candidates for promotion to Full Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should be key contributors to the Department's clinical activities. Promotion to Full Professor of Radiology (CT) requires clear documentation of excellence in patient care and demonstration of a high quality and substantial clinical practice. The development of a quality practice providing the opportunity for the development of new clinical approaches and technologies is of major importance when performance is judged. Affirmation of the high quality of clinical practice may be used as an indication of peer recognition. Examples of the standards by which clinical care excellence is accomplished are listed below. A candidate need not meet all of the listed clinical care criteria.

- Programmatic development (e.g. National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer, Inferior Vena Cava Filter Clinic)
- Service line creation (e.g. prostate imaging, breast tomosynthesis, new Interventional Radiology procedure offering)
- Clinical trial involvement (e.g. investigator initiated, multicenter, industry sponsored)
- Tumor Board participation/liaison (e.g. Colorectal, Gynecology Oncology, Lung Cancer, Thyroid, Head and Neck, Neurology, Urology, Breast cancer, among others)
Teaching
All candidates for promotion to Full Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate excellence in education. Although some educational accomplishments are subjective, there should also be objective evidence of educational value provided to medical students, residents, fellows, and/or faculty. Examples of the standards by which educational excellence is accomplished are listed below. A candidate need not meet all of the listed educational criteria. Mentorship—particularly of junior faculty—is considered a subjective accomplishment, and is strongly encouraged.

- Trainee evaluations: excellent scores (at least 4 out of 5) as documented by New Innovations (or similar) data
- Teaching methodology or program development (such as interactive technology)
- Teaching honors, recognitions, or awards
- Substantial educational commitment
  - PACS-side teaching (considered part of teaching hours)
  - Resident, medical student, and/or fellow lectures
- Syllabi/curriculum/workshop development: content creation
- Lecture invitations: inter-departmental or inter-institutional, societal
- Educational Committee leadership/participation: medical student and/or resident
- Mentorship: medical student, resident, fellow, graduate student, junior faculty

Service
All candidates for promotion to Full Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate a strong commitment to service. Examples of the standards by which service commitment is accomplished are listed below. A candidate need not meet all of the listed service criteria.

- Leadership and/or administrative committees: 2 or more consecutive years of membership in two substantial departmental, hospital, college, campus, or university committees is recommended (may not apply to individuals who apply for promotion less than two years following implementation of these guidelines). Committees include, but not limited to the following:
  - Radiology Leadership Committee (Departmental)
  - QI Committee (Departmental)
  - Medical Staff Executive Committee (Hospital)
  - Credentials Committee (Hospital)
  - Cancer Committee (Hospital)
  - Bylaws Committee (Hospital)
  - EHR Committee (Hospital)
Medical Ethics (Hospital)
- Medical Staff Review Board (Hospital)
- Quality/Safety/Risk (Hospital)
- Student Promotions Committee (COM Chicago)
- Committee on Student Promotions (COM)
- Curriculum Committee (COM Chicago)
- Committee on Admissions (COM)
- Committee on Instruction and Appraisal (COM)
- Committee on Research (COM)
- Committee on Student Awards and Scholarship (COM)
- Committee on Continuing Medical Education (COM and COM Chicago)
- Committee on Faculty Awards (COM)
- MSP Board of Directors (COM)
- Search committees

- Leadership positions
  - Clerkship/residency leadership (e.g. Program Director, Associate Program Director, Medical Student clerkship director)
  - Chief, Director of hospital specialty, or section head
  - Professional Society Membership/Leadership (e.g. local or regional)

- Peer review
  - Letters of support from former residents and UIH clinical faculty

- Participation in medical school interviews (2 per year prorated from the start of this guideline)
- Community outreach
- Interdepartmental Liaison

**Scholarship**

All candidates for promotion to Full Professor (CT) in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate a strong commitment to scholarship and should be engaged in scholarly activity that results in substantial contributions in the field. Articles in refereed journals, case reports, review articles, abstracts, and book chapters may be considered to meet the requirement for publications in this track. The candidate need not be the senior author, but evidence of significant involvement in the work or in the preparation of the publications should be provided. The publications considered adequate to meet this requirement are fewer than in the Academic (Research/Teaching) Track. Quality of publications is more important than overall quantity. Presentation of papers at scholarly meetings or conferences, especially when the papers are screened by a review committee, or participation in national and/or international meetings or organization of sessions for such meetings are important criteria for promotion.
The receipt of external funds for research and other scholarly pursuits is encouraged but not required for promotion in this track. Examples of standards for these categories of achievement are listed below, but are not meant to be all-inclusive. A candidate need not meet all of the listed scholarship criteria.

- Participation in national and/or international meetings (invited lectures, presentations, abstracts)
- Peer-reviewed publications (quality of publication > quantity of publications, e.g. first/last author publications more important than number of publications)
  - Mean H-index for Radiology Full Professors is 12.5 ± 10.8 (see Rad AE et al. The H-index in academic radiology. Acad Radiol 2010; 17:817-821)
- Research grants as Principal Investigator or co-Investigator (e.g. major national funding agency such as National Institutes of Health)
- Book chapters
- Participation in journal article review and/or editorial boards
- Societal and/or foundational committee participation and/or leadership
- Development of web or digital training modules and/or courses
- Clinical guidelines or materials for physicians
- Policy statements
- Quality Improvement efforts
Department of Radiology for Promotion to the Non-tenured Rank of Associate Professor of Radiology in Clinical Discipline

The Clinical Discipline (CD) non-tenured track is used for faculty primarily involved in the missions of patient care, teaching, service and scholarly activity. Contributions to each area will be evaluated for appointment, reappointment and promotion decisions, recognizing that the quantity of work in each area will vary given differing faculty member roles, but with the expectation that the quality of work will be excellent. All candidates for promotion to Associate Professor in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate excellence in education. Although some educational accomplishments are subjective, there should also be objective evidence of educational value provided to the residents, fellows, medical students, other trainees or faculty. Some of the objective standards by which educational excellence is accomplished are listed below. A candidate does not need to meet all of the listed educational criteria. Mentorship of students, residents, other trainees and fellows is considered a subjective accomplishment, and is strongly encouraged.

Education

- Trainee evaluations- excellent scores (at least 4 out of 5) as documented by New Innovations (or similar) data.
- Teaching methodology development (such as interactive technology)
- Teaching honors, recognition and awards
- Substantial educational commitment
  - PACS-side teaching (considered part of teaching hours)
  - Resident, medical student and/or fellow lectures
- Syllabi/curriculum/workshop development- content creation
- Lecture invitations- interdepartmental, inter-institutional or societal
- Educational Committee leadership/participation- medical student and/or resident
- Mentorship- medical student, resident, fellow and/or other trainee
Candidates applying for promotion to Associate Professor should also demonstrate a strong commitment to departmental missions of scholarship and service/clinical activities. Although not required, research activity is encouraged and can be used to support an application for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor. Standards for these categories of achievement are listed below, but are not meant to be all-inclusive.

**Scholarship**

- Participation in local or regional meetings (invited lecture, presentations, abstracts)
- Book chapters
- Development of web or digital training modules and/or courses
- Book or journal article reviews, case reports and editorial boards
- Clinical guidelines or materials for physicians
- Policy statements
- Quality Improvement efforts
- May include peer-reviewed publications

**Service/Clinical Activities**

- Leadership/administrative committees- two or more consecutive years of membership in two substantial departmental, hospital, college or university committees is recommended. (may not apply to individuals who apply for promotion less than two years following implementation of these guidelines) These committees include, but not limited to the following:
  - Radiology Leadership Committee (Departmental)
  - QI Committee (Departmental)
  - Medical Staff Executive Committee (Hospital)
  - Credentials Committee (Hospital)
  - Cancer Committee (Hospital)
  - Bylaws Committee (Hospital)
  - EHR Committee (Hospital)
  - Medical Ethics (Hospital)
  - Medical Staff Review Board (Hospital)
  - Quality/Safety/Risk (Hospital)
  - Student Promotions Committee (COM Chicago)
  - Committee on Student Promotions (COM)
  - Curriculum Committee (COM Chicago)
  - Committee on Admissions (COM)
Committee on Instruction and Appraisal (COM)
Committee on Research (COM)
Committee on Student Awards and Scholarship (COM)
Committee on Continuing Medical Education (COM and COM Chicago)
Committee on Faculty Awards (COM)
Faculty Academic Advancement Committee (COM)
MSP Board of Directors (COM)

- Clerkship/residency leadership- (PD, APD, medical student)
- Chief/director of hospital specialty- section head
- Community outreach
- Community engaged products- internal papers, public documents, reports, policy recommendations
- Programmatic Development (example: National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer)
- Service line creation- (for example prostate MRI, breast tomosynthesis)
- Tumor Board Liaison- (for example Colorectal, Gyne Onc, Lung Cancer, Thyroid, Head and Neck, Neurology, Urology, Breast cancer)
- Interdepartmental Liaison
- Letters of support from former residents and UIH clinical faculty
- Professional Society Membership/Leadership- local, regional, national or international
- Search committees
- Participation in medical school interviews (2 per year prorated from the start of this guideline)
- Demonstration of substantial clinical practice

Research

- Peer-reviewed publications
- Quality of publication> number of publications
- Industry grants
- First author publications
- Research as principal investigator
Department of Radiology Guidelines for Promotion to the Non-tenured Rank of Professor of Radiology in Clinical Discipline

The Clinical Discipline (CD) non-tenured track is used for faculty primarily involved in the missions of patient care, teaching, service and scholarly activity. For appointment, reappointment or promotion to the rank of Professor, there should be evidence that candidates have attained regional, national or international recognition for excellence in at least one of these areas. Contributions to each area will be evaluated for appointment, reappointment and promotion decisions, recognizing that the quantity of work in each area will vary given differing faculty member roles, but with the expectation that the quality of work will be excellent. All candidates for promotion to Professor in the Department of Radiology should demonstrate continued excellence in education. Although some educational accomplishments are subjective, there should also be objective evidence of educational value provided to the residents, fellows, medical students, other trainees or faculty. Some of the objective standards by which educational excellence is accomplished are listed below. A candidate does not need to meet all of the listed educational criteria. Mentorship of students, residents, fellows, other trainees and junior faculty is considered a subjective accomplishment, and is strongly encouraged.

Education

- Trainee evaluations- excellent scores (at least 4 out of 5) as documented by New Innovations (or similar) data.
- Teaching methodology development (such as interactive technology)
- Teaching honors, recognition or awards
- Substantial educational commitment
  - PACS-side teaching (considered part of teaching hours)
  - Resident, medical student and/or fellow lectures
- Syllabi/curriculum/workshop development- content creation
- Lecture invitations- interdepartmental, inter-institutional or societal
- Educational Committee leadership/participation- medical student and/or resident
- Mentorship- medical student, resident and/or fellow
Candidates applying for promotion to Professor should also demonstrate a continued strong commitment to departmental missions of scholarship and service/clinical activities. Although not required, research activity is encouraged and can be used to support an application for promotion to the rank of Professor. Standards for these categories of achievement are listed below, but are not meant to be all-inclusive.

**Scholarship**

- Participation in national or international meetings (invited lecture, presentations, abstracts)
- Book chapters
- Development of web or digital training modules and/or courses
- Book or journal article reviews, case reports and editorial boards
- Clinical guidelines or materials for physicians
- Policy statements
- Quality Improvement efforts
- May include peer-reviewed publications

**Service/Clinical Activities**

- Leadership/administrative committees- two or more consecutive years of membership (while ranked as Associate Professor) in two substantial departmental, hospital, college or university committees is recommended. (may not apply to individuals who apply for promotion less than two years following implementation of these guidelines) These committees include, but not limited to the following:
  - Radiology Leadership Committee (Departmental)
  - QI Committee (Departmental)
  - Medical Staff Executive Committee (Hospital)
  - Credentials Committee (Hospital)
  - Cancer Committee (Hospital)
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MSP Board of Directors (COM)

- Clerkship/residency leadership- (PD, APD, medical student)
- Chief/director of hospital specialty- section head
- Community outreach
- Community engaged products- internal papers, public documents, reports, policy recommendations
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- Interdepartmental Liaison
- Letters of support from former residents and UIH clinical faculty
- Professional Society Membership/Leadership- local, regional, national or international
- Search committees
- Participation in medical school interviews (2 per year prorated from the start of this guideline)
- Demonstration of substantial clinical practice

**Research**

- Peer-reviewed publications
- Quality of publication> number of publications
- Industry grants
- First or last author publications
- Research as principal investigator
Ranks not covered under this document

Department of Radiology follows College of Medicine guidelines for tracks that are not specifically covered under this document.
Department of Surgery
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

PROFESSOR (CT)

1. **Teaching Ability:** Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Divisional and/or Department conferences and multi disciplinary conferences when appropriate and participates in appropriate Basic Science teaching lectures and seminars when requested. Participates in medical student lectures and teaches courses as assigned and/or when appropriate. Fulfills ward teaching rounds, operating room and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows, desiring to learn surgical research. Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2. **Service:**
   a. **To patient care:** Examines patients in clinics and wards, performs surgical procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate. Also participates in interdisciplinary clinics as appropriate. Attends and actively participates in Divisional as well as Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care.
   b. **To the Department & College:** Participates in Department, Hospital, and College committees and activities as assigned.
   c. **To the University & Community:** Some appropriate community service is desirable, i.e. media presence, lectures, etc. Evaluation by the Department head, peers and outside references attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician. Service on local, regional and especially national surgical society and related society committees, study groups and action groups will be rendered when requested and appropriate.

3. **Scholarly Activity (Research):**
   a. **Grants:** Should secure funding (intra or extramural) of research and scholarly activities, from various sources including industry.
   b. **Publication:** Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, book chapters, etc., is essential. While the number is not defined, content should be appropriate to the subspecialty discipline and quality is emphasized over quantity.
   c. **Research:** Clinical and if possible, basic laboratory research is desirable. This could include evaluation of clinical results and establishment of laboratory projects done or in conjunction with other specialists, residents and/or students. Collaborative research with appropriate basic science disciplines is strongly encouraged, when applicable and appropriate. Evaluation by the Department head and references attest to the importance and relevance of the scholarly contributions of the candidate.
Department of Surgery
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

PROFESSOR (RT)

1. **Teaching Ability:** Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Divisional and/or Department conferences and multi disciplinary conferences when appropriate and participates in appropriate Basic Science teaching lectures and seminars when requested. Participates in medical student lectures and teaches courses as assigned and/or when appropriate. Fulfills ward teaching rounds, operating room and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows, desiring to learn surgical research. Evaluations by students, residents, fellows, peers (local, national) reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2. **Service:**
   a. **To patient care:** Examines patients in clinics and wards, performs surgical procedures as assigned and provides both short and long-term care as appropriate. Also participates in interdisciplinary clinics as appropriate. Attends and actively participates in Divisional as well as Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care.
   b. **To the Department & College:** Participates in Department, Hospital, and College committees and activities as assigned.
   c. **To the University & Community:** Some appropriate community service is desirable, i.e. media presence, lectures, etc. Evaluation by the Department head, peers and outside references attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician. Service on local, regional and especially national surgical society and related society committees, study groups and action groups will be rendered when requested and appropriate.

3. **Scholarly Activity (Research):**
   a. **Grants:** Should secure funding (intra or extramural) of research and scholarly activities, from various sources including industry.
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   c. **Research:** Clinical and if possible, basic laboratory research is desirable. This could include evaluation of clinical results and establishment of laboratory projects done or in conjunction with other specialists, residents and/or students. Collaborative research with appropriate basic science disciplines is strongly encouraged, when applicable and appropriate. Evaluation by the Department head and references attest to the importance and relevance of the scholarly contributions of the candidate.
Department of Surgery
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (RT)

1. **Teaching Ability:** Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Divisional and/or Department conferences and multi disciplinary conferences when appropriate. Participates in medical student lectures and teaches courses as assigned and/or when appropriate. Fulfills ward teaching rounds, operating room and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Evaluations by students, residents, peers (local, national) reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2. **Service:**
   a. **To patient care:** Examines patients in clinics and wards, performs surgical procedures as assigned and provides long-term care as appropriate. Also participates in interdisciplinary clinics as appropriate. Attends and actively participates in Divisional as well as Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care.
   b. **To the Department & College:** Participates in Department, Hospital, and College committees and activities as assigned.
   c. **To the University & Community:** Some appropriate community service is desirable, i.e. media presence, lectures, etc. Evaluation by the Department head, peers and outside references attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician.

3. **Scholarly Activity (Research):**
   a. **Grants:** Should secure funding (intra or extramural) of research and scholarly activities, from various sources including industry.
   b. **Publication:** Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, book chapters, etc., is highly desirable. While the number is not defined, content should be appropriate to the subspecialty discipline and quality is emphasized over quantity.
   c. **Research:** Clinical and if possible, basic laboratory research is desirable. This could include evaluation of clinical results and establishment of laboratory projects done or in conjunction with other specialists, residents and/or students. Evaluation by the Department head and references attest to the importance and relevance of the scholarly contributions of the candidate.
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (CT)

1. **Teaching Ability:** Participates in at least two-thirds of the appropriate Divisional and/or Department conferences and multi disciplinary conferences when appropriate. Participates in medical student lectures and teaches courses as assigned and/or when appropriate. Fulfills ward teaching rounds, operating room and clinical teaching as assigned or as needed. Evaluations by students, residents, peers (local, national) reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2. **Service:**
   a. **To patient care:** Examines patients in clinics and wards, performs surgical procedures as assigned and provides long-term care as appropriate. Also participates in interdisciplinary clinics as appropriate. Attends and actively participates in Divisional as well as Departmental Quality Assurance activities related to patient care.
   b. **To the Department & College:** Participates in Department, Hospital, and College committees and activities as assigned.
   c. **To the University & Community:** Some appropriate community service is desirable, i.e. media presence, lectures, etc. Evaluation by the Department head, peers and outside references attest to the candidates service commitments and recognition as a clinician.

3. **Scholarly Activity (Research):**
   a. **Grants:** Should secure funding (intra or extramural) of research and scholarly activities, from various sources including industry.
   b. **Publication:** Evidence of scholarly work, i.e. papers, abstracts, posters, book chapters, etc., is highly desirable. While the number is not defined, content should be appropriate to the subspecialty discipline and quality is emphasized over quantity.
   c. **Research:** Clinical and if possible, basic laboratory research is desirable. This could include evaluation of clinical results and establishment of laboratory projects done or in conjunction with other specialists, residents and/or students. Evaluation by the Department head and references attest to the importance and relevance of the scholarly contributions of the candidate.
Department of Surgery
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

CLINICAL PROFESSOR

1. **Teaching Ability**: Participates in some Divisional and/or Department conferences. Participates in some medical student and resident lectures as assigned. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows. Evaluations by peers, students, residents, fellows and the Department/Division unit Chief reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2. **Service**:
   a. **To patient care**: Examines patients in clinics and wards, performs surgical procedures as assigned.
   b. **To the University & Community**: Some appropriate community service is desirable, i.e. media presence, lectures, etc. Also participates in local, regional, national surgical society and recognition by peers.

3. **Scholarly Activity (Research)**:
   a. **Grants**: Not required.
   b. **Publication**: Publications must demonstrate applicant’s interest in excellence. Number of publications is not defined.
   c. **Research**: Not required.
Department of Surgery
Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence

CLINICAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

1. **Teaching Ability**: Participates in some Divisional and/or Department conferences. Participates in some medical student and resident lectures as assigned. Accepts and mentors students, residents and fellows. Evaluations by peers, students, residents, fellows and the Department/Division unit Chief reflect the candidate’s teaching abilities.

2. **Service**:
   a. **To patient care**: Examines patients in clinics and wards, performs surgical procedures as assigned.
   b. **To the University & Community**: Some appropriate community service is desirable, i.e. media presence, lectures, etc. Also participates in local, regional, national surgical society and recognition by peers.

3. **Scholarly Activity (Research)**:
   a. **Grants**: Not required.
   b. **Publication**: Publications must demonstrate applicant’s interest in excellence. Number of publications is not defined.
   c. **Research**: Not required.
STATEMENT OF UNIT/COLLEGE NORMS, EXPECTATIONS AND STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Department of Urology

Promotion to Associate Professor (RT) in the Department of Urology

This track is for research faculty with primary commitment to and demonstrated excellence in research, teaching, and service. Promotion in this rank is usually achieved through the development of an independent research program. In addition, scholarly activity leading to publication is required. It is expected that candidates in this category will be excellent researchers and will serve as role models to students.

**Time in the next lower Rank:**
Minimum of 4 years at the rank of Assistant Professor.

The Department of Urology otherwise follows the norms and criteria established by the College of Medicine for promotion and tenure.
The University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria is a community-based school. The emphasis of the Department of Medicine therefore lies predominantly in the areas of clinical service and teaching. This emphasis, however, is shared with an emphasis on scholarly activity. Many of the faculty are volunteer faculty.

All members of the Department of Medicine are required to participate in some form of scholarship and/or participate in the teaching needs of the department. The Department participates in teaching at the M2, M3 and M4 level. Both salaried and volunteer faculty perform didactic lectures, teaching rounds, patient management rounds, and other formal learning experiences geared toward students and residents. All members of the department who teach hold an appointment at least at either the assistant or clinical assistant professor level.

In order to obtain and keep an appointment in the clinical track, physicians are expected to continue to regularly participate in the teaching needs of UICOMP. Individuals whose participation in teaching exceeds that which is normally expected for a period of at least five years are considered for promotion to the title of clinical associate professor. Evaluation for this promotion also includes consideration of their expertise as a teacher and their ongoing scholarly activities. Promotion to the role of Clinical Professor requires exceptional service for a prolonged period of time in the areas of teaching and patient care. Significant contributions to the mission of the Department and the College in the form of committee service and leadership are also expected.

Most of the salaried members of the department are within the clinical discipline track. Usual appointment is that of an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine. Faculty are recommended for promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine when they have demonstrated excellence in teaching for at least five years and have shown development of a high quality clinical practice. Faculty promoted to the Associate Professor level must have shown significant scholarly activity manifested by contributions to the curriculum of the program, teaching at the highest level of excellence with emphasis on new and evolving therapies, and recognition within the community of high quality patient care.

Promotion to Professor of Clinical Medicine is dependent on demonstration of exceptional skills in the areas of teaching and patient care. It is anticipated that faculty who reach the rank of Professor of Clinical Medicine will have achieved recognition for their contributions to the Department. These contributions may be in the area of leadership in creation of new and evolving curricula, leadership within patient care, and leadership for teaching. It is anticipated that people who reach this level will be widely recognized within the community as leaders of their discipline. Scholarly activity is also required.

A few members of the Department are in the tenured Academic Track. It is anticipated that members in this track will be appointed as an Assistant Professor.

Faculty in the Clinical/Teaching (CT) track will be able to reach the Associate Professor status only by demonstrating excellence in patient care and teaching. The expectations with regard to this are similar to those outlined above for the clinical discipline track. In addition, however, candidates who remain in the academic clinical track should have much greater evidence of scholarly activity and published research. Individuals who seek promotion in this track must have higher quality publications and made presentations of papers at scholarly meetings and conferences.
Faculty in the Research/Teaching (RT) track will be able to reach the Associate Professor status only by demonstrating significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Candidates who remain in the academic track (RT) should have quality of publications, consistency of performance and more involvement in research rather than the overall quantity of articles. Of particular importance for advancement in rank is for the candidate to secure external funding. Individuals who seek promotion in this track must be invited to present papers at scholarly meetings and conferences and to give research seminars at other institutions.

Although it is anticipated that the Department of Medicine at Peoria will have fewer candidates within this Academic Track than in the Clinical Discipline Track, there are some individuals who may elect to pursue the necessary research activities in order to be promoted along this track.

Promotion to Professor in the academic clinical track would require exceptional performance as a leader in their field, as well as regional and national recognition for their contributions, combined with a high quality clinical practice and exceptional teaching.

The non-tenured Research Track may be used for faculty members whose primary commitment to the College is in research. Within the Medicine department, the research prefix normally designates faculty members who are credentialed in a field other than the primary discipline of the department and who have a major commitment to research. It is recognized that faculty with the research qualifier normally have reduced teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity.

Faculty at the Research Associate Professor rank should have demonstrated continuing excellence in research, clear evidence of independence, and significant innovation in their work. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University and the Department and should be recognized nationally for their accomplishments. Promotion to Research Professor requires clear evidence of independence.

In cases where the faculty member has significant teaching and/or service responsibilities, excellence in teaching and/or high impact in service activities must be documented.

Promotions at all times must satisfy the requirements of the overall University of Illinois College of Medicine. However, it should be recognized that the emphasis of this site is community-based teaching. Therefore, the bulk of our faculty will be volunteer faculty whose responsibilities and talents are in teaching and patient care. Recognition of the activities of this segment of the department is critically important to the continuation of our mission as a community-based school.

In addition, even full-time faculty are heavily dependent on their clinical activity in order to have adequate departmental finances. Therefore, excellence in clinical service is also critically important for this segment of the faculty and this contribution deserves to be recognized.

Teaching at both the medical student and resident level is critically important. It is important not to emphasize clinical service activity and/or research to the exclusion of teaching. A formalized evaluation system for teaching skills is in place and documentation of these skills should count heavily toward promotion.

Both high-quality teaching and high-quality patient care are heavily dependent on continued scholarly activities on the part of the faculty. Scholarly activities should not be defined narrowly to that of traditional funded research but need to include activities, which maintain currency in the medical field and help develop curriculum, new programs, and a broader understanding of medicine and its role in the community.
**Introduction:**

The University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria is a community-based school. The major mission of the Department of Pediatrics is the clinical care of children in Central Illinois and the education of medical students and residents. This emphasis is not to the exclusion of scholarly activity by the faculty. The faculty is made up of a combination of salaried and volunteer faculty and many of the faculty are volunteer faculty.

All members of the Department are required to participate in some form of scholarship and/or participate in the teaching needs of the department. The Department participates in teaching at the M2, M3 and M4 level. Both salaried and volunteer faculty perform didactic lectures, teaching rounds, patient management rounds, and other formal learning experiences geared toward students and residents. All members of the Department who teach hold an appointment at either the assistant or clinical assistant professor level or above.

Most of the salaried members of the Department are within the clinical discipline track. A few members of the Department are in the Academic Track. In our campus, with rare exception, faculty in the tenure eligible Academic Track are in the Clinical and Teaching (CT) track. Our campus offers limited opportunities to develop a career in basic science. Given the high burden of clinical responsibilities and the limited basic science opportunities, the expectations of scholarly productivity for our CT track faculty need to be evaluated in the context of our limited resources campus. As stated above, our campus cannot provide sufficient support for faculty to successfully be promoted in the research Academic Track (RT). Therefore only a very rare individual will be hired to this track.

**Teaching ability and performance:**

The mission of the department is to support and provide education to the undergraduate medical program participating in the M-1 clinical introduction and physical assessment, M-2 curriculum, M-3 and M-4 clinical experience.

The department’s mission also includes the education of residents -- the primary mission being the education of categorical pediatric residents and the combined internal medicine/pediatric residents. In addition, pediatric faculty provide teaching in pediatrics to all residencies sponsored by UICOMP.

The teaching mission involves pediatric teaching to nurses, advanced practice nurses, physical therapy students, pharmacists and all other allied health professionals training and/or practicing in our community.

The teaching mission also incorporates teaching within the community to improve health, health delivery and knowledge.

To be promoted, the faculty are expected to show sustained effort and excellence in teaching or, if chosen as the area of concentration, to be outstanding.

1. Faculty should excel in teaching, as evidenced by:
   a. Evaluations by residents.
   b. Evaluations by faculty and chairperson.
   c. Active participation in residency or UGME clerkship curriculum as lecturer, rounder, counselor, service attending, etc.
Clinical Effort:

Voluntary faculty are not expected to provide clinical care for the department. Employed (part-time or full-time) faculty are expected to provide clinical service to the department. The clinical services provided by faculty must involve clinical teaching within the practice of medicine.

For most faculty, the major portion of their teaching will be the clinical teaching provided during their clinical service component of their responsibilities and expectations. We estimate that 20% of their clinical effort is devoted to clinical teaching.

Faculty are expected to demonstrate excellence in patient care. Evidence for excellence in patient care requires providing direct patient care proportional to the percent effort as measured by academic wRVU’s. Quantity of care is not sufficient and faculty must demonstrate expertise in their field as manifested by development of clinics or programs, administrative activities of clinic operations, consultations, mentoring of residents and junior faculty, recognition of expertise by colleagues and patients, fulfillment of quality indicators, development of a local, regional, national or international reputation. The latter is demonstrated by invitation to lecture, referral from other professionals and specialists or by the provision of clinical expertise to educational programs, professional or community or invitation to provide clinical expertise in the form of publications.

To be promoted, the faculty are expected to show sustained effort and excellence in clinical services or, if chosen as the area of concentration, to be outstanding.

1. Faculty should excel in Clinical Service, as evidenced by:
   a. Active clinical practice
   b. Recognition by peers as expert in clinical area.
   c. Certification and/or recertification by national specialty boards.
   d. Participation in local/regional specialty groups and organizations.
   e. For pediatric subspecialists, development of an active referral practice from outside the local area; i.e., regional recognition related to the practice of medicine.

Research/Scholarship:

Voluntary faculty are encouraged, but not required, to participate in scholarly activity. However, for promotion to the rank of Professor, there must be evidence of scholarship in the form of recognition as an innovative and dedicated teacher, a regional reputation as an excellent clinician and some evidence of academic scholarship like curriculum development or program development. Employed faculty are expected to have some scholarship. The majority of faculty in our clinically focused department will not be required to show excellence in scholarship, but rather show evidence of scholarship. Evidence of scholarship can be demonstrated by curriculum development, course development, collaborative research participation, support and participation in resident or student research. Whether educational, clinical or basic science publications are the clearest evidence of scholarship. Therefore, involvement in investigator driven research projects and publications are the clearest evidence of scholarly activity and demonstration of excellence in scholarship. All salaried faculty are expected to have evidence of scholarship in the form of publications. This requirement will vary depending on the faculty’s track and percent effort devoted to scholarship. The requirements for scholarship will vary between the different tracks, but to be promoted faculty must demonstrate evidence of scholarship or excel in scholarship or if so chosen achieve the level of outstanding.

1. Faculty should excel in scholarship, as evidenced by:
   a. Record of continued scholarship in the form of research projects, mentorship of students/residents/fellows
   b. Development of curriculum
c. Peer reviewed publications
d. Book chapters, case reports, presentations at regional, national and international meetings, published abstracts and invited publications
e. Peer evaluations
f. Intramural or extramural funding

Service and Advocacy:

Voluntary faculty are not required, but encouraged to provide services. Salaried faculty are expected to provide services to the Department, the College, the University, the Hospital and the Community. Service is demonstrated by participation in department committees, task forces, directorship of programs and administrative roles. All faculty are expected to advocate for children and children’s services. Service to the College, University and hospital are equally demonstrated by participation in committees or task forces. Service to the community is demonstrated by availability for public education, program development, participation in task forces, committees and volunteer work related to health. Professional society membership, advocacy for children and other activities that help fulfill the vision of the department, including development, are evidence of service. Few faculty, except for the department Head/Chair and Vice/Associate/Assistant Chair, will be required to show excellence in the area of service.

1. University/Hospital service and advocacy as evidenced by:
   a. Administrative responsibilities for a clinical unit/subunit.
   b. Participation in departmental or hospital committees related to education and/or patient care (preferably with leadership responsibility).
   c. Accepting responsibility for direction of a specific departmental educational program or clinical service.
   d. Service to the University including participation in Regional Site committees or College committees.
   e. Participation in community boards
   f. Participation in child-focused community activities or boards.

Faculty Appointments:

Voluntary Faculty:

The University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria is a community-based school. Therefore, a large proportion of the faculty is voluntary. Voluntary faculty are appointed as clinical discipline faculty at the level of Clinical Assistant Professor of Pediatrics or above. In order to obtain and retain an appointment in the clinical track, faculty are expected to continuously and regularly participate in the teaching needs of the department of pediatrics or the college of medicine at UICOMP. Employment at any of the health care systems at Peoria is not sufficient to have a faculty appointment in the clinical discipline track.

Salaried Faculty:

Salaried Faculty are individuals who are employed by the University of Illinois College of Medicine for at least 50% of their time. They are appointed at the rank of Assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics or Assistant Professor of Pediatrics or above. Faculty that join in the clinical teacher track have primary responsibilities in teaching and clinical care and have the designation of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor or Professor of Clinical Pediatrics. Faculty on the tenure-eligible tracks, clinical or research, in addition to clinical and teaching responsibilities they must show evidence of scholarship and are appointed as Assistant Professor, Associate Professor or Professor of Pediatrics.
Non-tenured Clinical Faculty:

Faculty appointed in the clinical discipline track (CD) must sign a W agreement of waiver of tenure. Their major responsibilities are clinical care and teaching. The major portion of their teaching is in the clinical setting and integral to their clinical effort. Faculty in the CD track are expected to commit at least 80% of their time or greater to clinical services with clinical teaching. The expectation is that approximately 20% of their clinical time is devoted to clinical teaching. If a clinical faculty has less than 80% clinical effort, there must be a revenue stream attached to the non-clinical effort.

Tenured Faculty:

Faculty appointed in the tenure eligible tracks need to be at least 51% employed. Their responsibilities include clinical care, teaching and scholarship. Faculty in these tenure eligible tracks must excel in all three areas and have one area that achieves the level of outstanding.

Academic Investigator (RT):

Faculty appointed to the RT tenure track are individuals committed to scholarship and will be required to be outstanding in scholarship. These individuals will have a commitment to scholarship of at least 50% effort if not greater. It would be very unusual for a member of our Clinical Department to be appointed in this track

Clinician Teacher (CT):

Faculty appointed to the CT tenure eligible track are committed to scholarship and are required to excel in clinical services, teaching and scholarship. Faculty in this track must chose to achieve level of outstanding in one of these three areas. Faculty who chose to be on the tenure track in our campus are most likely to be appointed on this CT track.

Promotion:

For faculty to be promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor they must demonstrate five years of consistent and sustained excellence in patient care, teaching and scholarship. The expectations with regard to these areas vary depending on the particular track of the appointment. Voluntary faculty must document excellence in teaching. Faculty in the CD track must demonstrate excellence in teaching and clinical services and demonstrate some evidence of scholarship. Faculty in the CT track must excel in teaching, clinical services and scholarship and achieve the level of outstanding in one of them.

For faculty to be promoted from Associate Professor to Professor will depend largely on the particular track they are appointed. Promotion to Clinical Professor would require exceptional services to the department. Promotion to Professor in the CD, CT or AI tracks will require sustained demonstration of excellence as required by the particular track and development of regional, national or international reputation and leadership in the field.

Clinical Track (Voluntary Faculty):

In order to obtain and keep an appointment in the clinical track, physicians are expected to continue to regularly participate in the teaching needs of the Department of Pediatrics at UICOMP. Individuals whose participation in teaching exceeds that which is normally expected for a period of at least five years are considered for promotion to the title of Clinical Associate Professor. Evaluation for this promotion also includes consideration of their expertise as a teacher and their ongoing scholarly activities. For voluntary faculty, there is no requirement for any scholarship, but the Department would like to see some evidence or scholarly approach to teaching.
1. Evidence of excellence in teaching should be judged by:
   a. Participation in medical student/resident/fellow education through lectures, seminars, clinical teaching, mentorship and curriculum development
   b. Teaching evaluations by residents
   c. Teaching evaluations by medical students
   d. Teaching evaluations by peers
   e. Letters of support by former students/residents/fellows
   f. Teaching awards

Promotion to the role of Clinical Professor requires exceptional service for a prolonged period of time in the areas of teaching and patient care. Significant contributions to the mission of the Department and the College in the form of committee service and leadership are also expected.

Clinical Discipline (CD) Non-tenure Track:

For faculty to be promoted to Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics they must demonstrate five years of consistent excellence in patient care and teaching. In addition candidates who remain in the CD track should have evidence of scholarly activity and publications. Individuals who seek promotion in this track must have some evidence of scholarship as presentations of papers at scholarly meetings and conferences, case reports, book chapters or manuscripts.

1. Evidence of excellence in teaching should be judged by
   a. Participation in medical student/resident/fellow education through lectures, seminars, clinical teaching, mentorship and curriculum development
   b. Teaching evaluations by residents
   c. Teaching evaluations by medical students
   d. Teaching evaluations by peers
   e. Letters of support by former students/residents/fellows
   f. Teaching awards

2. Evidence of excellence in clinical care should be judged by
   a. Clinical services to the community
   b. Development of specialized clinical services or programs
   c. Development of a regional reputation
   d. Peer evaluation of clinical services and competencies
   e. Letters of support

3. Evidence of service to the University and the community should be judged by
   a. Participation in departmental, university or hospital committees preferably with leadership roles
   b. Involvement in community activities
   c. Volunteer activities
   d. Community recognition

4. Evidence of scholarship should be judged by
   a. Record of continued scholarship in the form of research projects, mentorship of students/residents/fellows
   b. Development of curriculum
   c. Peer reviewed publications
   d. Book chapters, case reports, presentations at regional, national and international meetings, published abstracts and invited publications
   e. Peer evaluations
   f. Although not required for promotion in this track, having obtained extramural funding should be considered further evidence of scholarship especially given the circumstances of our community based medical campus
Our Department takes into account the clinical load and excellence in clinical service during the evaluation of faculty in the CD track. We consider outstanding teaching and/or clinical service with some evidence of scholarship as sufficient for promotion to Associate Professor in the CD track.

Promotion to Professor of Clinical Pediatrics is dependent on demonstration of exceptional skills in the areas of teaching and patient care. It is anticipated that faculty who reach the rank of Professor of Clinical Pediatrics will have achieved recognition for their contributions to the Department. These contributions may be in the area of leadership in creation of new and evolving curricula, leadership within patient care, and leadership for teaching. It is anticipated that people who reach this level will be widely recognized within the community as leaders of their discipline. Scholarly activity is also required. Scholarship should reflect an area of expertise and should have evidence of peer reviewed scholarship.

**Clinician Teacher (CT) Tenure Track:**

For faculty to be promoted to Associate Professor of Pediatrics CT they must demonstrate five years of consistent excellence in patient care and teaching. The expectations with regard to these areas are similar to those for the clinical discipline track. In addition, however, candidates who remain in the CT track should have evidence of scholarly activity and published research. Individuals who seek promotion in this track must have peer reviewed publications and made presentations of papers at scholarly meetings and conferences. External funding for scholarly work is not required but encouraged.

1. Evidence of excellence in teaching should be judged by
   a. Participation in medical student/resident/fellow education through lectures, seminars, clinical teaching, mentorship and curriculum development
   b. Teaching evaluations by residents
   c. Teaching evaluations by medical students
   d. Teaching evaluations by peers
   e. Letters of support by former students/residents/fellows
   f. Teaching awards

2. Evidence of excellence in clinical care should be judged by
   a. Clinical services to the community
   b. Development of specialized clinical services or programs
   c. Development of a regional reputation
   d. Peer evaluation of clinical services and competencies
   e. Letters of support

3. Evidence of service to the University and the community should be judged by
   a. Participation in departmental, university or hospital committees preferably with leadership roles
   b. Involvement in community activities
   c. Volunteer activities
   d. Community recognition

4. Evidence of scholarship should be judged by
   a. Record of continued scholarship in the form of research projects, mentorship of students/residents/fellows
   b. Development of curriculum
   c. Peer reviewed publications
   d. Book chapters, case reports, presentations at regional, national and international meetings, published abstracts and invited publications
   e. Peer evaluations
   f. Although not required for promotion in this track, having obtained extramural funding
should be considered further evidence of scholarship especially given the circumstances of our community based medical campus

Our Department takes into account the clinical load and excellence in clinical service during the evaluation of faculty in the CT track. We consider outstanding teaching and/or clinical service with evidence of scholarship as sufficient for promotion to Associate Professor in the CT track.

Promotion to Professor in the academic clinical track would require must five years of consistent excellence in patient care and teaching, an area of concentration and expertise, exceptional performance as a leader in their field, as well as regional and national recognition for their contributions, combined with a high quality clinical practice and exceptional teaching. In addition the candidate must demonstrate a consistent record of peer review publications as senior author. External funding is not required but encouraged.

**Academic Investigator (RT) Tenure Track:**

For faculty to be promoted to Associate Professor of Pediatrics RT they must demonstrate five years, since last promotion, of consistent excellence in patient care and teaching. The expectations with regard to these areas are similar to those for the clinical discipline track. In addition, however, candidates who remain in the RT track should have evidence of scholarly activity and published research. Individuals who seek promotion in this track must have peer reviewed publications and made presentations of papers at scholarly meetings and conferences. External funding for scholarly work is required.

5. Evidence of excellence in teaching should be judged by
   a. Participation in medical student/resident/fellow education through lectures, seminars, clinical teaching, mentorship and curriculum development
   b. Teaching evaluations by residents
   c. Teaching evaluations by medical students
   d. Teaching evaluations by peers
   e. Letters of support by former students/residents/fellows
   f. Teaching awards

6. Evidence of excellence in clinical care should be judged by
   g. Clinical services to the community
   h. Development of specialized clinical services or programs
   i. Development of a regional reputation
   j. Peer evaluation of clinical services and competencies
   k. Letters of support

7. Evidence of service to the University and the community should be judged by
   l. Participation in departmental, university or hospital committees preferably with leadership roles
   m. Involvement in community activities
   n. Volunteer activities
   o. Community recognition

8. Evidence of scholarship should be judged by
   p. Record of continued scholarship in the form of research projects, mentorship of students/residents/fellows
   q. Development of curriculum
   r. Peer reviewed publications
   s. Book chapters, case reports, presentations at regional, national and international meetings, published abstracts and invited publications
t. Peer evaluations
u. Although not required for promotion in this track, having obtained extramural funding should be considered further evidence of scholarship especially given the circumstances of our community based medical campus

Our Department takes into account the clinical load and excellence in clinical service during the evaluation of faculty in the RT track. Consideration to outstanding teaching and/or clinical service can be considered for promotion in the RT track provided that it is documented by scholarship and peer reviewed publications in the area. All faculty in this track must have strong evidence of scholarship for promotion to Associate Professor in the RT track.

Promotion to Professor in the RT track would require a minimum of five years, since last promotion, of consistent excellence in patient care and teaching, an area of concentration and expertise, exceptional performance as a leader in their field, as well as regional and national recognition for their contributions, combined with a high quality clinical practice and exceptional teaching. In addition the candidate must demonstrate a consistent record of peer review publications as senior author. External funding is required.

Promotions at all times must satisfy the requirements of the overall University of Illinois College of Medicine. However, it should be recognized that the emphasis of this site is community-based teaching. Therefore, the bulk of our faculty will be volunteer faculty whose responsibilities and talents are in teaching and patient care. Recognition of the activities of this segment of the department is critically important to the continuation of our mission as a community-based school.
Academic (RT) Track | Research and Teaching | tenure track

Associate Professor (RT)

The Academic (RT) Track is for faculty, both clinical and basic science, with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Promotion of faculty in the Academic (RT) Track in the Department of Biomedical Sciences depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research, excellence in teaching and service. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellence in research and teaching is usually the primary basis for promotion. Being a small campus equal weight is given to both research and teaching.

Research: Faculty at the Associate Professor rank should be actively engaged in research. Establishment of a research program is a fundamental requirement for promotion. Faculty should be contributing significant new information to the scientific literature, should have demonstrated promise of becoming leaders in their fields, and should have attained some recognition at the national level.

The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are more important than overall quantity of articles. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is particularly important for advancement in rank to Associate Professor. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory boards are additional criteria for promotion in the Academic (RT) Track.

Teaching: For promotion to the rank of Associate Professor (RT) in the Department of Biomedical Sciences, the primary basis for promotion includes excellence in teaching and contributions to the graduate education mission of the department, in addition to the significant research activity. The candidate should demonstrate excellent mentoring activities and course coordination skill sets.

Service: Service to the Department, College and the University is an important faculty responsibility and is, therefore, a factor in appointment and promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient for promotion in the absence of research activity and excellence in teaching.
**Professor (RT)**

Academic (RT) Track  [Research and Teaching]Professor (RT)The Academic (RT) Track is for faculty, both clinical and basic science, with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Promotion of faculty in the Academic (RT) Track depends primarily on achievement in scholarly research and excellence in teaching. The hallmark of academic achievement is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion. Faculty at the Professor rank should have demonstrated continuing excellence in both teaching and research and should have shown significant innovation in their work. They should have demonstrated national and/or international leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University. Occasionally, the primary basis for promotion may be excellence in teaching and contributions to the mission of the department and College, although in such cases significant research activity is also expected. Service to the University is an important faculty responsibility and is therefore a factor in appointment and promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient for promotion in the absence of research activity and excellence in teaching. The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are more important than overall quantity of articles. Furthermore, attainment of external support after significant peer review is particularly important for advancement in rank to Professor. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory boards are additional criteria for promotion in the Academic (RT) Track.

**Research Track**

**Research Associate Professor**

The non-tenured Research Track may be used for faculty members whose primary commitment to the College is in research. While a faculty member must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities to be eligible for the Research Track, in practice this track is most frequently used for full-time faculty. In basic science departments, faculty with the research prefix normally have reduced teaching activities. Within the clinical departments, the research prefix normally designates faculty members who are credentialed in a field (usually a basic science) other than the primary clinical discipline of the department and who have a major commitment to research. It is recognized that faculty with the research qualifier normally have reduced teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity. Faculty at the Research Associate Professor should be actively engaged in research. Criteria for promotion to this rank may fall into two categories: 1) Establishment of an independent research program. In this case, independent and continuous external funding; high-quality senior-author publications; and evidence of national recognition are required.2) Significant contributions to and evidence of impact on an established research program. Although the candidate may not be Principal Investigator on an externally funded grant, he or she must be an essential member of the team. In this case, evidence of national recognition is still required including high-quality senior-author publications, invited seminars and service as a reviewer or consultant.
Satisfaction of requirements in either category may be sufficient for promotion to Associate Professor. In cases where the faculty member has significant teaching and/or service responsibilities, excellence in teaching and/or high impact in service activities must be documented. The magnitude and quality of teaching and/or service activities shall be considered in the review process.

**Research Professor**

The non-tenured Research Track may be used for faculty members whose primary commitment to the College is in research. While a faculty member must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities to be eligible for the Research Track, in practice this track is most frequently used for full-time faculty. In basic science departments, faculty with the research prefix normally have reduced teaching activities. Within the clinical departments, the research prefix normally designates faculty members who are credentialed in a field (usually a basic science) other than the primary clinical discipline of the department and who have a major commitment to research. It is recognized that faculty with the research qualifier normally have reduced teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity. Faculty at the Research Professor rank should have demonstrated continuing excellence in research, clear evidence of independence, and significant innovation in their work. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University and should be recognized nationally for their accomplishments. Promotion to Research Professor requires clear evidence of independence. In cases where the faculty member has significant teaching and/or service responsibilities, excellence in teaching and/or high impact in service activities must be documented. The magnitude and quality of teaching and/or service activities shall be considered in the review process.
DEPARTMENT NORMS

Candidates for promotion in the Department of Health Sciences Education must demonstrate excellence in teaching in their field. Candidates are also expected to demonstrate a significant level of service, including working towards or attaining leadership roles, committee service and community involvement. Evidence of scholarly activity is expected of those seeking promotion within the department. Candidates may select either the Research or Clinical tracks which are described below.

Clinical Track

Clinical Assistant Professor
Faculty appointed at this rank will have a terminal/doctoral degree and participate actively in the educational programs of the College or will have had comparable educational experience at another institution. Candidates for appointment or promotion to the assistant level must also demonstrate excellence in teaching.

Clinical Associate Professor
Faculty at this rank should have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank. Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated sustained commitment to the educational program of the College or will have made comparable educational contributions at another institution. It is expected that expertise and excellence will be demonstrated in the performance of such responsibilities.

Candidates at the Associate level are expected to excel in teaching as well as demonstrate substantial service at the campus, college and community levels. They should demonstrate leadership in education strategies and curriculum development. Campus level leadership on committees should be demonstrated. Faculty should have received peer recognition at the local or regional level for their achievements, and scholarly activity should be demonstrated. Research funding is not expected as medical education funding sources are scarce. Scholarly activity shall be construed broadly and examples of scholarly activity include, but are not limited to:

- Publishing books, monographs, articles, chapters
- Presentations at professional meetings or conferences
- Invited lectures or seminars
- Poster presentations
- Development of curricular materials
- Material participation in on-going research efforts

Clinical Professor
Faculty at this rank should have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank. Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated involvement in the mission of their department and the College. This rank recognizes sustained teaching excellence or contributions in the practice of medicine which bring stature to the College. Faculty should have received peer recognition at the regional level for their achievements, and scholarly activity should be demonstrated.
Candidates for the Professor level will be expected to excel in teaching and show substantial service with leadership, community service and innovation. Professor candidates are expected to be leaders and mentors to junior faculty members. They will provide college and campus leadership in their field and are expected to be active in their discipline and/or educational groups on a regional and national level. Candidates must demonstrate continued scholarly activity. Research funding is not expected as medical education funding sources are scarce. Scholarly activity shall be construed broadly and examples of scholarly activity include, but are not limited to:

- Publishing books, monographs, articles, chapters
- Presentations at professional meetings or conferences
- Invited lectures or seminars
- Poster presentations
- Development of curricular materials
- Material participation in on-going research efforts

**Research Track**

The non-tenured Research Track may be used for faculty members whose commitment to the College is in research. While a faculty member must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities to be eligible for the Research Track, in practice this track is most frequently used for full-time faculty. In basic science departments, faculty with the research prefix normally have reduced teaching activities. Within the clinical departments, the research prefix normally designates faculty members who are credentialed in a field (usually a basic science) other than the primary clinical discipline of the department and who have a major commitment to research. It is recognized that faculty with the research qualifier normally have reduced teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity.

**Research Assistant Professor**

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated evidence of original research in the form of publications in refereed journals.

**Research Associate Professor**

Faculty at the Research Associate Professor should be actively engaged in research. Criteria for promotion to this rank may fall into two categories:

- Establishment of an independent research program. In this case, independent and continuous external funding, high-quality senior-author publications, and evidence of national recognition are required.
- Significant contributions to and evidence of impact on an established research program. Although the candidate may not be Principal Investigator on an externally funded grant, he or she must be an essential member of the team. In this case, evidence of national recognition is still required including high-quality senior-author publications, invited seminars and service as a reviewer or consultant.

Satisfaction of requirements in either category may be sufficient for promotion to Research Associate Professor. In cases where the faculty member has significant teaching and/or service responsibilities, excellence in teaching and/or high impact in service activities must be documented. The magnitude and quality of teaching and/or service activities shall be considered in the review process.

**Research Professor**

Faculty at the Research Professor rank should have demonstrated continuing excellence in research, clear evidence of independence, and significant innovation in their work. They should have demonstrated leadership in their fields which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University and should be recognized nationally for their accomplishments. Promotion to Research Professor requires clear evidence of independence.

In cases where the faculty member has significant teaching and/or service responsibilities, excellence in teaching and/or high impact in service activities must be documented. The magnitude and quality of teaching and/or service activities shall be considered in the review process.
The University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford (UICOMR) is a community-based College within the University of Illinois College of Medicine. The emphasis of the Department of Medicine lies predominantly in the areas of teaching, service, and patient care. Scholarly activity, as broadly defined, is encouraged of all faculty, but required for promotion to the rank of Professor.*

All members of the Department of Medicine are required to participate in the teaching needs of the department for the graduate and post-graduate medical curriculum. While most of our faculty are voluntary, both salaried and non-salaried faculty perform didactic lectures, teaching rounds, patient management rounds, and other formal learning experiences geared toward students and residents. Members of the department, who teach, generally hold an appointment at least at the Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine level. Those faculty salaried at greater than 50% generally hold an appointment at least at the Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine level.

Promotions must satisfy the overall requirements of the University of Illinois College of Medicine as revised June 9, 2021. However, it should be recognized that the emphasis of this site is community-based teaching and service. Therefore, the bulk of our faculty will be volunteer faculty whose responsibilities and talents are in teaching and patient care. Recognition of the activities of this segment of the department is critically important to the continuation of our mission as a community based school.

Given that diversity, equity and inclusion are foundational at UIC, all faculty hired after August 16, 2021 must include in their dossiers a personal statement on their philosophy, commitment, and work to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion at UIC. Both tenure track and non-tenure track faculty will be required to provide this statement as part of the promotion process. The statement is optional for those hired before August 16, 2021. The statement is intended to broadly encompass efforts in diversity, equity and inclusion. It can reflect:

- Service, research, clinical and/or teaching activities,
- Activities at UIC or within academic and professional associations, non-profit, governmental, and/or private sector organizations, or representing UIC within the community,
- Efforts addressing a wide range of equity and inclusion issues.

In order to keep an appointment in the Department of Medicine, faculty are expected to regularly participate in the teaching needs of UICOMR and engage in service to the College and/or the community. Individuals who have demonstrated excellence in teaching for a period of at least five years are considered for promotion to the Associate Professor level. Evaluation for this promotion also includes consideration of their service activities and ongoing scholarly activities. Promotion to the Professor level requires exceptional participation for a further five-year period in the areas of teaching, service, and patient care with significant contributions to the mission of the Department and the College. Excellence in these various areas will count heavily towards promotion.

Both high quality teaching and high quality patient care are heavily dependent on continued scholarly activities on the part of the faculty. Scholarly activities should not be defined narrowly to that of traditional funded research but include activities that maintain currency in the medical field and help develop curriculum, new programs, and a broader understanding of medicine and its role in the community.
In 2021 the College added a non-tenured Teaching Track for faculty salaried greater than 50% whose primary responsibility is in medical and biomedical education. Our department will follow the College Norms for the non-tenured Teaching Track.

Department of Medicine College of Medicine Norms

Instructor – Faculty at this rank should have an earned doctoral degree. Clinicians should have completed three years of residency training.

Assistant Professor – Faculty at this rank should meet the criteria for Instructor and should ordinarily have completed a residency/fellowship training program and/or at least two years of postdoctoral experience. Clinicians should normally be board certified.

Associate Professor – For promotion to Associate Professor, a faculty member is expected to have demonstrated significant commitment to the educational programs of the Department and the College. The candidate will meet the criteria for Assistant Professor and, with rare exceptions, should be at that rank for at least five years. As a faculty member, the candidate will have demonstrated excellence in the areas of teaching, patient care, and/or service to the College and/or community. Scholarly activity, as broadly defined, is encouraged.

Professor – For promotion to Professor, a faculty member is expected to have demonstrated continued commitment to the goals and the educational program of the College and the Department. Faculty at this rank will meet the criteria for Associate Professor and, with rare exceptions, should have completed five years at that rank. The candidate must have demonstrated sustained excellence in teaching, patient care, and/or service to the College and community. Scholarly contributions, as broadly defined, which bring stature to the University, demonstrated leadership within the College, University, or community, and peer recognition at the local and/or regional level for his/her achievements are required.

* Scholarly activities may include but are not limited to:

Curriculum development that is adopted at other institutions or published
Clinical research trials
Intramural or extramural funding
Innovations in patient care that are adopted by others.
Publications: book chapters, case reports, published abstracts, invited commentaries or reviews
Poster presentations
Local and regional CME presentations
Service on editorial boards or peer reviewed journals
Election to office in a professional academic organization
Service on a national professional organization committee

Note: Candidates for promotion hired prior to 8/20 will be evaluated based on the criteria in place at the time of hire or most recent personnel action.
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Statement of Unit Norms, Expectations and Standards of Excellence for the
Department of Surgery & Surgical Specialties

To be eligible for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor or Professor (in the CT, clinical
discipline or clinical tracks), a member of the Department of Surgery must:

A. **Demonstrate committed involvement in the departmental educational program by:**
   Accepting requests and assignments to serve as a clinical preceptor of medical students.*
   Accepting opportunities to serve as a lecturer or discussant.
   Engaging in curricular modification or development.

B. **Demonstrate excellence in these activities by such mechanisms as:**
   Peer review and observations, when available.
   Medical student evaluations.*
   Overall evaluation by the department chair.

C. **Demonstrate commitment to the discipline, to this department, to this campus and to the
   College of Medicine-Chicago by:**
   Support of the educational programs of the campus.
   Participation in departmental activities when requested.
   Service on department, campus or College of Medicine committees as an active and contributing
   member.
   Service as a student advisor and/or mentor.
   Involvement in local, state or national medical societies and organizations.
   Scholarly contributions as demonstrated by departmental and hospital presentations, abstracts,
   and articles appearing in refereed and non-refereed professional journals.
   Community service activities.

D. **Demonstrate excellence in clinical practice by:**
   Board certification in any surgical specialty (and recertification when applicable).
   Providing excellent and compassionate care to patients, their families, and significant others.
   Demonstrating excellent professional relationships with peers, co-workers, and all members of
   the health care team.

E. **Serve as noteworthy role model for students, residents (when applicable), other faculty,
   and other members of the health care team by:**
   Maintaining professional demeanor and conduct.
   Demonstrating a helpful and supportive attitude toward students.*
   Maintaining excellent relationships with patients, their families and significant others.
   Maintaining excellent professional relationships with peers, co-workers, and all other members
   of the health care team.

*Family Practice residents, when applicable.

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Research and Teaching Track (RT)

Associate Professor (RT)

The Research and Teaching (RT) Track is for tenure system faculty with significant research commitment in addition to teaching and service, including patient care where applicable. Appointment or promotion of faculty in the RT Track depends primarily on documented achievement in scholarly research activities and excellence in teaching. The hallmark of scholarly achievement for this track is the generation of new knowledge through creative and original research, and excellence in this area is usually the primary basis for promotion. The quality of publications, consistency of performance, and the extent of involvement of the candidate in research are more important than overall quantity of articles. For advancement in rank to Associate Professor, demonstration of and potential for attainment of substantial peer-reviewed external support is required, as appropriate to the discipline and faculty role in the department and the College of Medicine. Invited papers presented at scholarly meetings and conferences, research seminars presented at other institutions, and service on national scientific advisory boards are additional criteria for promotion in the RT Track. Excellence in teaching may include outstanding performance in classroom teaching, as well as successful mentoring of undergraduate, medical, graduate, and postdoctoral trainees in laboratory settings. Service to the University is an important faculty responsibility and is therefore a factor in appointment and promotion considerations, but it is not sufficient for promotion in the absence of research accomplishments and recognition and excellence in teaching. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Associate Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University's programs. There is no automatic promotion to the associate professor level based solely on years in rank.

Faculty at this rank have developed a competitive and funded independent research program, as appropriate to the discipline and faculty role in the department and the College of Medicine, demonstrated excellence in teaching, and have a strong record of service. They are contributing significant new information to the scientific literature, have demonstrated promise of becoming leaders in their fields, and have attained recognition at the national level.
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**Research and Teaching Track (RT)**

**Professor (RT)**

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Faculty at the Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank.

Faculty at this rank demonstrate a sustained record of excellence in research, teaching, and service, and have shown significant innovation and/or impact in their work. They have a sustained independent funded research program, as appropriate to the discipline and faculty role in the department and the College of Medicine. They are leaders in their field at the national and/or international level which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University.
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Clinical and Teaching Track (CT)

Associate Professor (CT)

The Clinical and Teaching (CT) Track is for tenure system clinical faculty with a primary commitment to, and demonstrated excellence in, teaching and service including patient care. Promotion in this track is achieved through the development and/or application of creative advances in medical care, the fostering of such clinical care in students through teaching excellence, and scholarly activity leading to advances in medical practice and/or education.

It is expected that individuals being appointed or promoted in the CT Track will be excellent clinicians. The development of a quality practice, which is used as a base for teaching students and residents, enabling the faculty member to serve as a role model and providing the opportunity for the development of new clinical approaches and technologies is of major importance when performance is judged. Affirmation of the high quality of clinical practice is demonstrated by peer recognition, including but not limited to patient referrals and consultation relationships, internal and external awards, and positions of leadership or responsibility in medical organizations, agencies and professional societies.

Evidence of scholarly activity includes but is not limited to articles in refereed journals, which may include original research papers and review articles, as well as book chapters and case reports. The candidate must show evidence of significant involvement in the work or in the preparation of the publications. The publications considered adequate to meet this requirement are fewer than in the Research/Teaching Track. Quality of publications (e.g., original research) is more important than overall quantity. Presentation of papers at scholarly meetings or conferences, especially when the papers are screened by a review committee, or participation in national and/or international meetings or organization of sessions for such meetings are additional criteria for promotion. The receipt of external funds for research or funding for other scholarly pursuits is encouraged but not required for promotion in this track. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Associate Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University's programs. There is no automatic promotion to the associate professor level based solely on years in rank.

Faculty at this rank have demonstrated excellence in teaching and patient care and are significantly engaged in scholarly activity that results in substantial contributions in the field. They show promise of becoming leaders in their fields, have evidence of developing a high quality clinical practice, and should show an emerging reputation of excellence at the national level or a reputation of excellence at the regional level.
Clinical and Teaching Track (CT)

Professor (CT)

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Faculty at the Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank.

Faculty at this rank have demonstrated sustained excellence in their teaching, patient care, and service as well as continued engagement in scholarly activities. They have developed a high quality clinical practice, have demonstrated leadership in their fields, which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University, and are recognized nationally and/or internationally for their contributions.
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Research Track

Research Associate Professor

The non-tenured Research Track may be used for faculty members whose primary commitment to the College is in research. While a faculty member must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities to be eligible for the Research Track, in practice this track is most frequently used for full-time faculty. In basic science departments, faculty with the research prefix normally have reduced teaching activities. Within the clinical departments, the research prefix normally designates faculty members who are credentialed in a field (usually a basic science) other than the primary clinical discipline of the department and who have a major commitment to research.

It is recognized that faculty with the research qualifier normally have reduced teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity. A commitment to the College's diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Research Associate Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University's programs. There is no automatic promotion to the associate professor level based solely on years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should be actively engaged in research. Criteria for promotion to the Research Associate Professor rank may fall into two categories:

1) **Establishment of an independent research program.** In this case, independent and continuous external funding; high-quality senior-author publications; and evidence of national recognition are required.

2) **Significant contributions to and evidence of impact on an established research program.** Although the candidate may not be Principal Investigator on an externally funded grant, he or she must be an essential member of the team. In this case, evidence of national recognition is still required including high-quality senior-author publications, invited seminars and service as a reviewer or consultant.

Satisfaction of requirements in either category may be sufficient for promotion to Research Associate Professor.
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Research Track

Research Professor

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It is recognized that faculty with the research qualifier normally have reduced teaching and service activities, but correspondingly greater research activity. Promotion to Research Professor requires clear evidence of independence. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Research Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated a sustained record of excellence in research, clear evidence of independence, continued funding for research, and significant innovation in their work. They should have demonstrated leadership in their field, which brings recognition and enhanced stature to the University and should be recognized nationally and/or internationally for their accomplishments.
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Clinical Discipline Track

Associate Professor of Clinical Discipline

The non-tenured Clinical Discipline Track is used in the clinical departments for faculty who are primarily involved in patient care, teaching, and service. To be eligible for this track, a faculty member must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities. Primary commitment by the faculty member to College of Medicine programs is expected and frequently demonstrated through contributions to the mission of the department by development of a clinical practice and related teaching efforts. Faculty in this track are not in the tenure system and will be required to sign waiver of tenure (“W”) agreements. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Associate Professor of Clinical Discipline rank have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University's programs. There is no automatic promotion to the associate professor level based solely on years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated excellence in patient care programs including development of a high quality and substantial clinical practice and teaching. A record of scholarly activity must be demonstrated, which may include but is not limited to publications, adoption of practices or products by one’s peers, and presentations at the local or regional level. Faculty have regional recognition as a clinician and/or educator, and provide service/leadership on local and regional committees.
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Clinical Discipline Track

Professor of Clinical Discipline

The non-tenured Clinical Discipline Track is used in the clinical departments for faculty who are primarily involved in patient care, teaching, and service. To be eligible for this track, a faculty member must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities. Primary commitment by the faculty member to College of Medicine programs is expected and frequently demonstrated through contributions to the mission of the department by development of a clinical practice and related teaching efforts. Faculty in this track are not in the tenure system and will be required to sign waiver of tenure (“W”) agreements. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Professor of Clinical Discipline rank have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated a high level of professional accomplishment in patient care programs including development of a high quality and substantial clinical practice and teaching. A record of ongoing scholarly activity must be demonstrated, including but not limited to publications, adoption of practices or products by one’s peers, and presentations at the regional or national level. Service to the discipline and/or institution is also expected. Faculty have received national recognition as a clinician and/or educator, and provide service/leadership on regional or national committees.
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Teaching Track

Teaching Associate Professor

The non-tenured Teaching Track is used for faculty whose primary responsibility is in medical and biomedical education. Faculty in this track must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Teaching Associate Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University's programs. There is no automatic promotion to the associate professor level based solely on years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated excellence in medical education as evidenced by an impactful teaching record and positive student engagement. The candidate should demonstrate maturity in the development and delivery of curricular materials that demonstrate sound pedagogy, promote the education of future physicians and are aligned with current medical education teaching principles and standards as endorsed by the AAMC and LCME. Faculty at this rank should also have made significant contributions to the education program as a whole through leadership and/or committee service in the area of curricular administration/management. A record of scholarly activity in the area of medical education must be demonstrated including, but not limited to conference abstracts, manuscript publications and presentations/workshops at the local or regional level.
Teaching Track

Teaching Professor

The non-tenured Teaching Track is used for faculty whose primary responsibility is in medical and biomedical education. Faculty in this track must be salaried greater than 50% for University-related activities. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Teaching Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated a high level of professional accomplishment in medical education and in educational leadership, including quality medical teaching and pedagogy as well as advancements in teaching and learning in the discipline. Faculty at this rank should also have made significant contributions to the education program as a whole through mentoring of junior instructors and through leadership and committee service in the area of curricular administration/management. A record of scholarly activity in the area of medical education must be demonstrated including, but not limited to conference abstracts, manuscript publications, textbook chapters and presentations/workshops at the regional or national level. Securing competitive internal or external grants supporting medical education research is an additional marker of scholarship. Faculty at this rank should have received national recognition as an educator and provided service/leadership on regional or national committees.
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Clinical Track

Clinical Associate Professor

The Clinical Track is used in the clinical departments for faculty who are primarily involved in patient care and teaching, and are voluntary or salaried 50% or less for University-related activities. They are on fixed term appointments and not in the tenure track.

Appointment or promotion of faculty in the Clinical Track depends primarily on patient care and on stature in the practice of medicine, and/or teaching excellence. Demonstrated excellence in teaching and service will generally meet promotional requirements. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Clinical Associate Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated sustained commitment to the educational program of the College or will have made comparable educational contributions at another institution. It is expected that expertise and excellence will be demonstrated in the performance of such responsibilities. Faculty should have received peer recognition at the local or regional level for their achievements, and scholarly activity and service should be demonstrated.
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Clinical Track

Clinical Professor

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Appointment or promotion of faculty in the Clinical Track depends primarily on patient care and on stature in the practice of medicine, and/or teaching excellence. Demonstrated excellence in teaching and service will generally meet promotional requirements. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Faculty at the Clinical Professor rank have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered in cases of extraordinary accomplishment. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank.

Faculty at this rank should have demonstrated involvement in the mission of their department and the College. This rank recognizes sustained teaching excellence or contributions in the practice of medicine which bring stature to the College. Faculty should have received peer recognition at the regional level for their achievements, and scholarly activity and service should be demonstrated.
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Adjunct Track

Adjunct as a prefix to a rank normally denotes a faculty member whose major time commitment is not at the University and/or who has credentials in a field other than the primary discipline of the appointing department. Such a faculty member is generally salaried 50% or less for University-related activities or participates on a non-salaried basis.

Faculty in the Adjunct Track are on annual appointments and not in the tenure track. Progression in rank in the Adjunct Track tends to parallel the level of professional development achieved by the faculty member in his or her own field.

In appointing or promoting a faculty member in the Adjunct Track, it is essential to identify academic activities and achievements within the College of Medicine. A commitment to the College’s diversity, equity and inclusion goals is expected.

Adjunct Associate Professor: Faculty at this rank should ordinarily have completed at least five years as an Assistant Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered. This rank signifies a high level of professional accomplishment and a significant commitment by the faculty member to the University's programs. There is no automatic promotion to the associate professor level based solely on years in rank. Documentation of excellence is required.

Adjunct Professor: Faculty at this rank should ordinarily have completed at least five years as an Associate Professor or equivalent at the time the review for promotion is initiated, although early promotion may be considered. This rank signifies an extremely high level of professional accomplishment and is not awarded solely based upon years in rank. Documentation of excellence is required.