

Article 10
PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

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10.1 Purpose and Scope of Evaluation. The basic purpose of faculty evaluation is to recognize, reward, and improve faculty performance in the functions of teaching, research, service, and administrative and related duties that may be assigned.

10.2 Sources and Methods for Evaluation. Evaluations shall be based only upon assigned duties and shall carefully consider the nature of the assignments and quality of the performance. Evaluations shall be based upon the assignments of responsibility, as described in Article 9, and any dual compensation appointments, if applicable, for the period under evaluation, and shall take into account the proportions, duties and nature of the assignments.

(a) All evaluations shall be performed during the spring semester and shall take into account performance of assigned duties over a period consistent with approved department criteria and may include multiple years. For faculty members who have been employed at the University less than that period, the annual evaluation shall take into account their performance since the start of employment at the University.

(b) An evaluation may only be changed through the appeal process as outlined in the provisions of this article or through other provisions of the Agreement.

(c) The faculty of each department/unit shall develop and maintain specific written criteria and procedures by which to evaluate faculty members consistent with the criteria specified in this Article and subject to the approval of the unit's dean. These criteria and procedures shall be the sole basis upon which faculty performance is measured.

(d) Development Process for Criteria and Procedures. If criteria and procedures for evaluating faculty performance are not on file, they shall be developed. If such criteria and procedures are already on file, the faculty of the department/unit shall review and revise them after ratification of this Agreement.

(1) The department/unit administrator shall discuss with the department/unit faculty members who are to participate in the development or revision process the existing criteria and procedures of the department/unit, the mission and goals of the department/unit and the University, the provisions of the BOT-UFF Collective Bargaining Agreement, and relevant state law. A copy of the BOT-UFF Collective Bargaining Agreement and the relevant portions of state law shall be provided to each department/unit at the outset of the process.




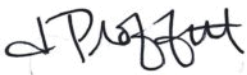
(2) These criteria and procedures, and any revisions thereof, shall be recommended by a secret ballot vote of a majority of the faculty members in the department/unit.

(e) These criteria and procedures shall

(1) Be consistent with the criteria and procedures specified in this Article and with all the other provisions of this Agreement.

(2) Satisfy all provisions of Article 23 with regard to department/unit criteria and evaluative procedures for the distribution of merit-based salary increases.

(3) Be adaptable to various assigned duties, so that all faculty have an equal opportunity to

			
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40 earn favorable performance evaluations. The criteria must provide that the FTE allocated to each
41 part of the faculty member's annual assignment shall be used to weight the performance of each
42 part for determination of the overall assessment of performance/merit.

43 (4) Take into consideration the department's mission and reasonable expectations for
44 different classifications/ranks, experience, and stages of career.

45 (5) Provide for a peer review component in the annual evaluation.

46 (6) Specify a new effective date.

47 (7) Be detailed enough that any reasonable faculty member can understand what
48 performance is required to earn each performance evaluation rating.

49 (8) Ensure that faculty members on approved leave are not penalized in the evaluation
50 process.

51 (9) Faculty members in Departments/Unit — Legacy bylaws that used a five point scale for
52 criteria for evaluations prior to Fall 2024 shall combine the top two rating categories (“Exceeds
53 FSU’s High Expectations” and “Substantially Exceeds FSU’s High Expectations”) to conform to
54 the four point scale in this article review the criteria and update their bylaws or develop written
55 criteria, based on a four-point scale. Prior to adoption of revised bylaws that use a four point scale,
56 the criteria for “Exceeds FSU’s High Expectations” and the criteria for “Substantially Exceeds
57 FSU’s High Expectations” shall apply to the category of “Exceeds Expectations.”

58 (f) The criteria and procedures shall be periodically reviewed by the faculty for consistency,
59 revised as appropriate, and subjected to a reaffirmation ballot whenever a change is made to this
60 Article. Subsequent revisions may be initiated by a majority vote of at least a quorum of the faculty
61 members subject to evaluation or upon the initiative of the department/unit administrator.


62 (g) Departments/units are encouraged to exchange and discuss drafts of their faculty evaluation
63 criteria and procedures during the formulation and revision processes.


64 (h) Approval Process.


65 (1) Deans shall review and approve proposed criteria and then send the proposed criteria
66 to The University President or representative for review to shall review the proposed criteria and
67 procedures or revisions thereof to ensure that they comply with the provisions of this Article. The
68 President or representative shall notify the college and department/unit of his or her approval or
69 non-approval within sixty (60) days of receipt, if practicable. However, final notification shall
70 occur no later than ninety (90) days after receipt. In the case of a non-approval, the notification
71 will provide a written statement of reasons.


72 (2) In the case of non-approval, the department/unit has ninety (90) days after notification
73 to revise and resubmit the proposal, and the President or representative shall review it within sixty
74 (60) days of receipt and notify the department of approval or non-approval, and in the case of non-
75 approval, provide a written statement of reasons. In the event that the next version is also not
76 approved, the criteria shall be forwarded to the Vice President for Faculty Development and
77 Advancement who will resolve any discrepancies and the criteria and procedures shall be imposed.

78 (i) Approved or imposed faculty evaluation criteria and procedures, and revisions thereof, and
79 any related recommendations shall be kept on file in the department/unit and college offices, in


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80 the Office of Faculty Development and Advancement, and posted on the department/unit and
81 college/unit websites. Faculty members in each department/unit shall be provided a copy of that
82 department's/unit's current faculty evaluation criteria and procedures at the start of the spring
83 semester.

84 (j) No faculty member shall be evaluated according to new criteria and procedures prior to the
85 President or representative's final approval of these criteria and procedures or until they are
86 imposed by the Vice President for Faculty Development and Advancement.

87 (k) No evaluations shall require a forced or pre-specified distribution of ratings.

88 10.3 Annual Evaluations. Annual performance evaluations shall be based upon the assignments
89 of responsibility, as described in Article 9, for the period under evaluation, and shall take into
90 account the proportions, duties and nature of the assignments. The faculty member's history of
91 annual evaluation summary forms, narratives, optional responses, and letters of progress towards
92 promotion shall be considered in recommendations and final decisions on promotions and
93 appointment and non-reappointment.

94 (a) Sources for Annual Evaluations. In preparing the annual evaluation, the person(s)
95 responsible for evaluating the faculty member may consider, in light of the department/unit's
96 faculty evaluation criteria, pertinent information from the following sources: immediate
97 supervisor, peers, students, faculty member/self, other University officials who have responsibility
98 for supervision of the faculty member, and individuals to whom the faculty member may be
99 responsible in the course of a service assignment, including public school officials when a faculty
100 member has a service assignment to the public schools.

101 (b) Teaching effectiveness. Includes effectiveness in presenting knowledge, information, and
102 ideas by means or methods such as lecture, discussion, assignment and recitation, demonstration,
103 laboratory exercise, practical experience, and direct consultation with students.

104 (1) The evaluation shall include consideration of effectiveness in imparting knowledge and
105 skills, and effectiveness in stimulating students' critical thinking and/or creative abilities, the
106 development or revision of curriculum and course structure, and adherence to accepted standards
107 of professional behavior in meeting responsibilities to students.

108 (2) The evaluation shall include consideration of class size format, preparation time,
109 whether the course is required or elective, availability of assistance, and other University teaching
110 duties, such as advising, counseling, supervision of interns, or duties described in a Position
111 Description, if any, of the position held by the faculty member.

112 (3) The teaching evaluation must take into account any relevant materials submitted by the
113 faculty member. Examples of such materials include class notes, syllabi, student exams and
114 assignments, supplementary material and peer evaluations of teaching. The teaching evaluation
115 may not be based primarily on student perceptions when additional information has been made
116 available to the evaluator.

117 (4) Observation/Visitation.

118 a. The faculty member, if assigned teaching duties, shall be notified at least two (2)
119 weeks in advance of the date, time, and place of any direct classroom observation or visitation

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120 (including visitation or monitoring of a course website) made in connection with the faculty
121 member's annual evaluation. If the faculty member determines that this date is not appropriate,
122 because of the scheduled class activities, the faculty member and the person(s) responsible for
123 performing the observation or visitation will mutually agree upon an alternate date.

124 b. Upon request, a faculty member is entitled to an evaluation of teaching based on
125 direct observation or visitation by one or more peers.

126 c. Whenever a person conducts a classroom visit for the purpose of evaluation, a
127 report of his/her observations must be submitted to the faculty member within ten (10) working
128 days of the observation. Otherwise, nothing from the visit may be used in the evaluation process.

129 i. The report must suggest corrective actions for any shortcoming that is
130 identified.

131 ii. No corrective actions that impinge upon academic freedom may be suggested.

132 d. A faculty member who challenges an observation report may choose a colleague to
133 observe his or her class and submit a report. The colleague may be from the same department/unit,
134 from a department/unit with a compatible discipline, a retired colleague, or a colleague in the
135 discipline from another university. Such a report shall be given equal consideration with other
136 reports of classroom visitation.

137 (c) Contribution to the discovery of new knowledge. Includes development of new educational
138 techniques, and other forms of creative activity.

139 (1) Evidence of research and other creative activity shall include, but not be limited to,
140 published books, chapters in books, articles in refereed and un-refereed professional journals,
141 musical compositions, exhibits of paintings and sculpture, works of performance art, papers
142 presented at meetings of professional societies, reviews, and research and creative activity that has
143 not yet resulted in publication, display, or performance.

144 (2) The evaluation shall include consideration of the faculty member's productivity,
145 including the quality and quantity of the faculty member's research and other creative programs
146 and contributions during the period under evaluation. The evaluation of quality shall include
147 consideration of recognitions by the academic or professional community.

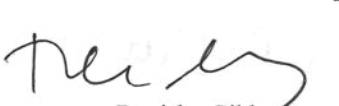
148 (d) Service. Evaluation of service shall include consideration of contributions to:


149 (1) the orderly and effective functioning of the faculty member's academic unit (program,
150 department, school, college) and/or the total University, including participation in regular
151 departmental or college meetings;


152 (2) the University community, including participation in the governance processes of the
153 institution through significant service on University committees and councils, in UFF activities,
154 and in Faculty Senate activities;


155 (3) the local, state, regional and national communities, and scholarly and professional
156 associations, including participation in professional meetings, symposia, conferences, workshops,
157 service on local, state, and national governmental boards, agencies and commissions; and service
158 to public or private schools;

159 (4) other assigned University duties, such as academic administration, of the position held
160 by the faculty member. Evaluations for department chairs should consider responsibilities of the
161 chair such as departmental planning and goal setting, assignment of work responsibilities and


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162 resources, fiscal responsibilities, recruitment and hiring, mentoring, evaluation of faculty, handling
163 of personnel issues involving faculty and staff, academic program responsibilities, implementation
164 of University policy, and communication both within the department and with administrators
165 regarding the department;

166 (5) such other responsibilities as may be appropriate to the assignment.

167 (e) These criteria may be elaborated, augmented, and refined by recommendation of the
168 faculty of the department/unit, as provided in this Article.

169 (f) Methods for Annual Performance Evaluations

170 (1) Evaluator. The evaluator will normally be the administrator of the department/ unit in
171 which the faculty member holds an appointment at the time the evaluation is performed. Faculty
172 members holding concurrent appointments in more than one department/unit shall be evaluated by
173 the administrators of each unit in which they hold an appointment. Faculty members earning or
174 holding tenure in a unit in which they do not hold an appointment shall also be evaluated by the
175 administrator of the unit in which they are earning or hold tenure.

176 a. Department/unit administrators who are faculty members shall be evaluated by
177 their respective deans.

178 b. Each evaluator shall be familiar with the provisions of this Agreement, any
179 applicable Florida Statutes and Board policies, and the department/unit criteria and procedures
180 specified by this Article for the annual evaluation of the faculty.

181 (2) The performance of faculty members, other than those who have received notice of
182 non-reappointment under Article 12 or are not entitled to receive notice of non-reappointment
183 under Article 12, shall be evaluated. The evaluation shall be consistent with the criteria specified
184 in Section 10.2.

185 (3) Evidence of Performance Report. The administrator responsible for the annual
186 evaluation shall request each member of the faculty to submit to him or her, annually, a report of
187 Evidence of Performance in teaching, research or creative activities, service, and other University
188 duties where appropriate.

189 a. The Evidence of Performance report (EOP) shall be submitted after the end of each
190 calendar year, and shall cover the preceding calendar year.

191 b. Each department/unit shall specify in detail the required format and minimal
192 content of the EOP, pursuant to this section.

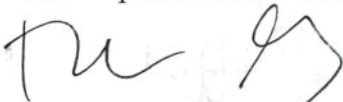
193 c. The EOP shall also include any interpretive comments or supporting data that the
194 faculty member deems appropriate in evaluating his or her performance.

195 d. Any materials required for the EOP that depend on the University administration
196 shall be provided to the faculty member no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the date upon
197 which the Evidence of Performance report is due.


198 e. If a faculty member fails to submit an EOP report (after notification of such failure),
199 this may result in an overall evaluation of "Does Not Meets ~~FSU's High~~ Expectations."


200 (4) Those persons responsible for supervising and evaluating shall endeavor to assist the
201 person being evaluated in correcting any performance deficiencies reflected in the evaluation.

202 a. The supervisor may informally coach or counsel faculty with the goal of improving
203 performance. Such advice is not disciplinary, nor may it be part of the evaluation file.


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204 b. The supervisor may offer advice for improvement in the annual Progress towards
205 Promotion letter and/or the annual Narrative Report.

206 c. The supervisor may create a structured improvement plan via a Performance
207 Improvement Plan (PIP) as outlined in Section 10.5 (3).

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209 (5) The Annual Performance Evaluation shall provide for an assessment of performance
210 for each faculty member using the following ratings:

211 a. ~~Substantially~~ Exceeds ~~FSU's High~~ Expectations

212 b. ~~Meets/Exceeds~~ ~~FSU's High~~ Expectations

213 ~~c. Meets FSU's High Expectations~~

214 ~~cd.~~ Official Concern

215 ~~de.~~ Does Not Meet ~~FSU's High~~ Expectations

216 10.4 Merit Evaluations.

217 (a) The determination of meritorious performance for the distribution of funds allocated for
218 merit-based salary increases pursuant to Article 23 shall be according to each department/unit's
219 faculty evaluation criteria and procedures developed pursuant to this section, which must be
220 consistent with the criteria for faculty evaluation specified elsewhere in this Article. All faculty
221 members will be reviewed for merit.

222 (b) These criteria and procedures may include any refinements of the methods for the
223 distribution of salary increase funds that are permitted by Article 23 and are based on a period of
224 time consistent with approved department criteria, which may include multiple years of
225 performance.

226 (c) Merit distribution criteria:

227 (1) Must define meritorious performance as "performance that meets or exceeds the
228 expectations for the position classification and department/unit."

229 (2) May permit, but not mandate, a merit pay award for all members of the department/unit.


230 (3) Must establish distinctive levels of merit reflecting the differences in performance.

231 (d) Merit distribution plans are subject to the approval of the department chair (or in non-
232 departmentalized units, the dean). If the chair makes any changes to the merit distribution plan
233 proposed by a faculty evaluation committee, she/he shall report such changes to the faculty
234 evaluation committee, if there is such a body. The original merit distribution plan along with any
235 recommendations by the chair shall be submitted to the dean and the provost or designee. The dean
236 and the provost or designee provide final approval of merit distribution plans. Any changes at this
237 level to the merit distribution plan shall be reported to the chair by the dean's office, and the chair
238 will inform the faculty evaluation committee, if there is such a body.

239 10.5 Annual Evaluation Reporting Procedures


240 (a) Evaluation Summary Form. The evaluator shall annually prepare the faculty member's
241 written annual performance evaluation on the Annual Evaluation Summary Form provided in
242 Appendix "F." The completed form and its attachments comprise the annual evaluation report.

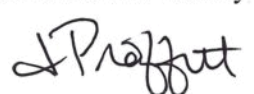
243 (1) This Evaluation Summary Form and its attachments shall be distributed to the faculty


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244 member no later than June 15.

245 (2) Faculty members holding joint appointments in other areas, departments or divisions
246 shall be evaluated concurrently using the same criteria and procedures as other faculty in the
247 department/unit. Each evaluator shall evaluate the faculty member only with respect to principal
248 duties within that department/unit. Such concurrent summaries shall be forwarded to the
249 administrator responsible for review of evaluations for the department/unit as specified in (c)
250 below.

251 (3) Faculty members eligible for promotion or for tenure (except for Assistant Professors
252 in the years in which they receive their Tenure Review Report, as outlined in Section 15.3 (e)(2))
253 shall be appraised annually in writing of progress towards promotion or tenure in order to provide
254 assistance and counseling in working toward that goal. This appraisal shall be included as a
255 separate section—Progress toward promotion or tenure may be included in the narrative
256 accompanying the annual evaluation, or as a separate narrative, as outlined in Article (10.5(a)(4).

257 (4) All faculty members, including those ineligible for promotion, shall receive a narrative
258 evaluation appended to the Evaluation Summary Form.

259 (5) The provision on the Annual Evaluation Summary Form under the heading
260 “TEACHING” for certification of Spoken English Competency shall be utilized only:

261 a. to certify competency following completion of options for remediation specified
262 following an “Official Concern” evaluation in this area given either in the previous annual
263 evaluation or with an original appointment, or

264 b. to call into question a previous certification of competency.

265 (6) If “Official Concern” is noted in the Spoken English Competency category, options for
266 remediation shall be in writing with a copy attached to the Annual Evaluation Summary Form.


267 (7) The evaluation report shall be signed and dated by the person performing the
268 evaluation.

269 (b) Discussion. After completion of the Annual Evaluation Summary Form, the evaluator shall
270 discuss the Summary with the faculty member concerned.


271 (1) The faculty member may attach to the Summary any statement he or she desires.


272 (2) The persons responsible for supervising and evaluating shall endeavor to assist the
273 person being evaluated in correcting any performance deficiencies reflected in the evaluation.

274 (3) ~~For non-tenured faculty members, in the case of an evaluation rating of “Does Not~~
275 ~~Meet FSU’s High-Expectations,” the evaluator shall fully document the rating prior to discussion~~
276 ~~with the faculty member. Non-tenured faculty members whose overall performance is rated~~
277 ~~“Does Not Meet FSU’s High Expectations” in any given year or whose performance in any single~~
278 ~~domain (i.e. research, teaching or service) in three (3) or more of the previous six (6) evaluations~~
279 ~~is rated below “Does Not Meets FSU’s High ExpectationsExpectations”, may be placed on a~~
280 ~~Performance Improvement Plan (PIP). A tenured faculty member whose overall performance in~~
281 ~~any performance domain (i.e., research, teaching or service) is rated “Does Not Meet FSU’s High~~
282 ~~Expectations” in three (3) or more of the previous six (6) evaluations may be placed on a PIP. A~~
283 PIP shall be developed in one or more areas of assigned duties. The PIP shall be developed by the
284 faculty member’s supervisor in concert with the faculty member, and shall be written.
285 It shall include specific performance goals and timetables to assist the faculty member in achieving


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286 at least a “Meets ~~FSU’s High~~ Expectations” rating. Specific resources identified in an approved
287 PIP, shall be provided by the department/unit. Examples of recommendations/resources include,
288 but are not limited to: audit a course; participate in a webinar or webcast; work with or observe the
289 work of an outstanding professor; etc. If the faculty member and the supervisor are unable to agree
290 on the elements of the PIP, the dean shall make the final determination on the elements of the PIP.
291 The PIP shall be approved by the President or representative and attached to the Annual Evaluation
292 Summary Form. The supervisor shall meet periodically with the faculty member to review
293 progress toward meeting the performance goals. It is the responsibility of the faculty member to
294 successfully complete the PIP.

295 (4) After discussion is ~~completed~~ and completed and attachments made, the faculty
296 member will indicate that the evaluation has been reviewed by signing the Annual Evaluation
297 Summary Form and indicating the number of pages attached to it. The required signature of the
298 person being evaluated certifies that the required discussion of the rating has taken place. It does
299 not imply that the person being evaluated has agreed with the rating. Those not agreeing should be
300 referred to the procedure for appealing an Annual Evaluation Summary, in Section 10.7.

301 (5) A copy of the Annual Evaluation Summary Form and attachments shall be made
302 available to the person being evaluated.

303 (c) Review. The Annual Evaluation Summary Form and attachments shall be reviewed by the
304 appropriate administrative officer. The reviewer will normally be the dean of the college in which
305 the faculty member holds the faculty position. When the dean of a college is the evaluator, the
306 Annual Evaluation Summary shall be reviewed by the Vice President for Faculty Development
307 and Advancement.

308 (1) Upon the completion of the discussion with the faculty member, the Annual Evaluation
309 Summary Form and attachments shall be forwarded to the appropriate reviewer.


310 (2) The reviewer shall sign the Annual Evaluation Summary Form and attachments if he
311 or she agrees with it.


312 (3) If the reviewer disagrees, he or she may discuss the area of disagreement with the
313 evaluator, at which time two courses of action are available to the reviewer: The reviewer may
314 submit his or her own Evaluation Summary Form and attachments or may revise the original.
315 When the reviewer prepares his or her own Faculty Evaluation Summary, the original Evaluation
316 Summary Form and attachments must be appended to the reviewer’s summary.


317 10.6 Disposition of the Evaluation Summary Form and attachments.

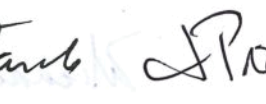
318 (a) After the Evaluation Summary Form and attachments have been reviewed and signed by
319 the appropriate reviewer, they shall be forwarded to the Vice President for Faculty Development
320 and Advancement and retained in filed-in the faculty member’s official evaluation file. The
321 contents of the faculty evaluation file shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed except to the
322 faculty member evaluated and those whose duties require access.

323 (b) For faculty holding joint appointments copies of all evaluations shall be filed in the official
324 evaluation file.


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325 (e) When the overall performance is rated "Does Not Meet FSU's High Expectations," a copy
326 of the Evaluation Summary Form and attachments must be forwarded to the Provost and Vice
327 President for Academic Affairs and the President of the University through the Vice President for
328 Faculty Development and Advancement.

329 10.7 Provision for Appeal of Annual Evaluations

330 (a) If a faculty member is not satisfied with the Evaluation Summary prepared by the evaluator
331 (department chair or equivalent), including the determination of failure to successfully complete a
332 PIP, the faculty member may register his or her disagreement in writing and attach it to the
333 Evaluation Summary to be placed in the evaluation file.



334 (b) In addition, the faculty member may submit a written request for review of the evaluation
335 by appropriate higher-level reviewer (dean or equivalent) within thirty (30) days after being
336 informed of the evaluation. In colleges without departments, the written request for review of the
337 evaluation is sent to the Vice President of Faculty Development and Advancement. The reviewer,
338 like the evaluator, shall have complete freedom of action, consistent with this Agreement, in
339 seeking to settle or resolve differences concerning evaluations and presumably his or her efforts
340 will be largely conciliatory. The reviewer shall meet with the faculty member to discuss the request
341 within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the written request for review. Within fifteen (15) days of
342 receipt of the written request, the reviewer shall reach a decision and report it to the faculty
343 member.

344 (c) If the faculty member is not satisfied with the reviewer's decision, the faculty member may
345 request in writing a review from the Provost- or designee and Vice President for Academic Affairs
346 (or designee) Vice President for Faculty Development and Advancement within fifteen (15) days
347 after the reviewer's decision. Within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the written request, the Provost
348 or designee or designee Vice President for Faculty Development and Advancement shall meet with
349 the faculty member to discuss the request. Within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the written request,
350 the Vice President for Faculty Development and Advancement shall reach a decision and report it
351 to the faculty member.


352 ~~(d) An appeal of the decision of the Vice President for Faculty Development and Advancement~~
353 ~~may be made to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Such a request for review~~
354 ~~shall be made in writing within fifteen (15) days after the Vice President for Faculty Development~~
355 ~~and Advancement's decision. Within fifteen (15) days of the receipt of the written request, the~~
356 ~~Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs shall reach a decision and report it to the faculty~~
357 ~~member.~~


358 10.9 Proficiency in Spoken English. No faculty member shall be evaluated as deficient in oral
359 English language skills unless proved deficient in accordance with the appropriate procedures and
360 examinations for testing such deficiency.

361 (a) Faculty members involved in classroom instruction, other than in courses conducted
362 primarily in a foreign language or courses not requiring facility in spoken English, who are found
363 by their supervisor, as part of the annual evaluation, to be potentially deficient in English oral
364 language skills, shall be tested in accordance with appropriate procedures and examinations


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365 established herein for testing such skills. No reference to an alleged deficiency shall appear in the
366 annual evaluation or in the personnel file of a faculty member who achieves a satisfactory
367 examination score determining proficiency in oral English as specified in the rule (currently "50"
368 or above on the Test of Spoken English).

369 (b) Faculty members who score at a specified level on an examination established herein for
370 testing oral English language skills ("45" on the Test of Spoken English), may continue to be
371 involved in classroom instruction up to one (1) semester while enrolled in appropriate English
372 language instruction, as described in paragraph (d) below, provided the appropriate administrator
373 determines that the quality of instruction will not suffer. Only such faculty members who
374 demonstrate, on the basis of examinations established by statute and rule, that they are no longer
375 deficient in oral English language skills may be involved in classroom instruction beyond one (1)
376 semester.

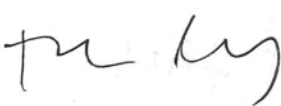
377 (c) Faculty members who score below a minimum score on an examination established herein
378 for determining proficiency in oral English (currently "45" on the Test of Spoken English) shall
379 be assigned appropriate non-classroom duties for the period of oral English language instruction
380 provided by the Board under paragraph (d) below, unless during the period of instruction the
381 faculty member is found, on the basis of an examination specified above, to be no longer deficient
382 in oral English language skills. In that instance, the faculty member will again be eligible for
383 assignment to classroom instructional duties and shall not be disadvantaged by the fact of having
384 been determined to be deficient in oral English language skills.

385 (d) It is the responsibility of each faculty member who is found, as part of the annual
386 evaluation, to be deficient in oral English language skills by virtue of scoring below the satisfactory
387 score on an examination established herein to take appropriate actions to correct these deficiencies.
388 To assist the faculty member in this endeavor, the Board shall provide appropriate oral English
389 language instruction without cost to such faculty members for a period consistent with their length
390 of appointment and not to exceed two (2) consecutive semesters. The time the faculty member
391 spends in such instruction shall not be considered part of the individual assignment or time worked,
392 nor shall the faculty member be disadvantaged by the fact of participation in such instruction.


393 (e) If the Board determines, as part of the annual evaluation, that one (1) or more
394 administrations of a test to determine proficiency in oral English language skills is necessary, in
395 accordance with this section, the Board shall pay the expenses for up to two (2) administrations of
396 the test. The faculty member shall pay for additional testing that may be necessary.


397 10.10 Post-Tenure Review. For 2023-2025, the university will proceed with Post-Tenure Review
398 in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including the Board of Governors Regulation
399 10.003 (4)(f) and (i). The parties agree that this article will be reopened for negotiations during
400 2025-2028 full-book negotiations. If the Board of Governors Regulation 10.003 or Florida Statutes
401 Section 1001.706(6)(b) is modified, overturned, or enjoined by a court of competent jurisdiction
402 Section 10.10 Post-Tenure Review will be nullified.

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404 (a) Definitions: The following definitions apply for the purposes of Post-Tenure Review for
405 2024-2025.

406
407 (1) Tenure – Article 15.1(b) states that tenure means a faculty member “shall have the
408 status of a permanent member of the faculty and remain in the employment of the
409 University, guaranteed annual reappointment for the academic year” until s/he resigns,
410 retires, is laid off, or “terminated for just cause in accordance with the provisions of
411 Article 16 Disciplinary Action and Job Abandonment of this agreement.”

412
413 (2) Administrative Role – a position or role at FSU in which a tenured faculty member is
414 in one of the following positions: 1) Chairs or equivalent 2) Deans and 3)
415 Assistant/Associate Vice Presidents and above. Chairs or equivalent in the bargaining
416 unit will be reviewed annually per the BOG regulation and provisions of this
417 Collective Bargaining Agreement. by the University via a separate process that shall
418 be bargained before implementation.

419
420 (3) Eligible Faculty Member- a faculty member who has been tenured or promoted to Full
421 Professor at FSU for five years or more. Not included in this definition are tenured
422 faculty members who are in Administrative Roles listed above, have submitted a letter
423 of resignation/retirement, are active candidates for promotion from Associate to Full
424 Professor, or have been subjected to Post-Tenure Review in the past four years.


425
426 (4) Materials- items specified under F.2 prepared by an Eligible Faculty Member, and
427 subsequently supplemented by the department chair/unit head and dean, highlighting
428 the Eligible Faculty Member’s accomplishments, and demonstrating performance
429 relative to assigned duties for the Review Period. Subsequent responses to deans’ and
430 chairs’ letters by the Eligible Faculty Member will also be included.


431
432 (5) Review Period- The Review Period shall be the five (5) calendar years previous to the
433 spring Post-Tenure Review.

434
435 (6) Performance Rating Scale- as defined by the Board of Governors Regulation 10.003
436 (4)(f) and (i).

437
438 (b) Selection of Eligible Faculty Members

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440 (1) All Eligible Faculty Members who were tenured, hired with tenure on appointment, or
441 promoted to Full Professor with an effective date of Fall 2019 participated in post-
442 tenure review in Spring 2024.

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444 (2) In addition, 20% of Eligible Faculty Members who were tenured (including those hired
445 with tenure on appointment) or promoted to Full Professor prior to Fall 2019 were
446 included in post-tenure review in Spring 2024. Eligible Faculty Members were offered
447 the opportunity to volunteer to participate in the 2024 review. Sufficient numbers of
448 faculty volunteered to meet the target of 20% of eligible faculty.
449

450 (c) Criteria for determining performance rating

451
452 (1) In conducting Post-Tenure Review, the University shall not consider or otherwise
453 discriminate based on a faculty member's political, or ideological view, or properly
454 disclosed and approved outside activities or field of study. The Post-Tenure Review
455 shall abide by the Academic Freedom and Responsibility Article 5 and
456 Nondiscrimination Article 6.2 of the CBA
457

458 (2) Criteria for Post-Tenure Review Ratings. Because of the variety of academic
459 disciplines in the university and the differences in the nature of the work tenured
460 faculty do across disciplines, the relevant evidence in support of PTR ratings will
461 vary across academic disciplines. The criteria shall consider research, teaching and
462 service. Deans and the Provost must take into consideration the criteria used by
463 academic units to evaluate the performance of faculty for promotion, tenure, merit,
464 and annual evaluations.

465 (3) Examples of evidence to support the rating of Exceeds Expectations include awards,
466 honors, annual evaluations, and meeting criteria identified by academic units as
467 meritorious performance in the units' bylaws and relative to the faculty member's
468 AOR.
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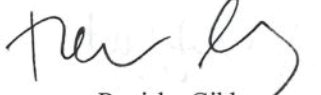
470 (4) Examples of evidence to support the rating of "Meets Expectations" shall include
471 annual evaluation criteria relative to the academic units' bylaws and relative to the
472 faculty member's AOR.

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474 —Examples of evidence to support the rating of "Does Not Meet Expectations" shall
475 include


476 (5) include previous annual evaluation ratings of "Official Concern" and "Does Not
477 Meet Expectations" and include annual evaluation criteria relative to the academic
478 units' bylaws and relative to the faculty member's AOR.

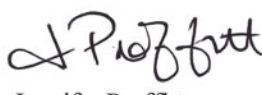
479 ~~previous annual evaluation ratings of "Official Concern" and "Does Not Meet FSU's~~
480 ~~High Expectations" and include citation(s) from the unit's bylaws and relative to the~~
481 ~~faculty member's AOR.~~
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483 (6) Examples of evidence to support the ratings of Unsatisfactory include **annual**


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484 evaluation criteria relative to the academic units' bylaws and relative to the faculty
485 member's AOR, ~~evidence failure to meet expectations that reflect disregard or of~~
486 failure to follow previous ~~formal~~ written feedback on performance or conduct, ~~and~~ advice
487 to provide correction or assistance ~~and~~ evidence of performance that involves
488 incompetence or misconduct, in accordance with Article 16, Disciplinary Action and
489 Job Abandonment and applicable university regulations and policies.

491 (d) Timing and Selection of Reviews Subsequent to 2024

492
493 (1) In addition to inclusion of tenured faculty in their 5th year following the award of tenure
494 or their promotion to Full Professor, each Spring Semester in 2025, 2026, 2027 and
495 2028 approximately 20% of the tenured faculty of the University who were tenured
496 prior to 2019 and who have not yet been subject to Post-Tenure Review will be
497 randomly selected for Post-Tenure Review, subject to college proportionality. An
498 exception to random selection will be made for faculty members who were eligible for
499 a Sustained Performance Increase in 2023-24 and 2024-25 and request inclusion in the
500 2025 PTR cohort. A faculty member may request to be included in the upcoming PTR
501 cohort process if they would have been eligible to receive a Sustained Performance
502 Increase in August 2024 or August 2025.

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504 (2) The process for random selection and any algorithm used will be disclosed to the UFF
505 before faculty are selected to be reviewed.


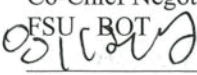
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508 (3) Beginning in Spring Semester 2029, each tenured faculty member will be subject to
509 Post-Tenure Review in the fifth year following their tenure award, latest promotion,
510 hire date (if hired with tenure) or latest Post-Tenure Review, whichever is more recent.

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512 (e) Postponement of Post-Tenure Review


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514 (1) A faculty member's Post-Tenure Review may be postponed, upon approval by the
515 Provost or designee, for extenuating circumstances, including but not limited to being
516 on approved extended leave (e.g., FMLA, parental leave, or leave of absence), being
517 on a sabbatical, or having served in an Administrative Role or as chair or equivalent
518 during the Review Period. To request a year-long postponement, faculty members
519 must submit a Postponement Request Form by the specified deadline. All requests
520 shall be reviewed by the Provost or designee. The same standards for granting
521 postponement requests shall apply to all faculty members.

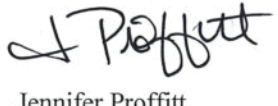
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523 (f) Participants and Their Responsibilities

524 (1) Participating faculty members shall prepare and submit the following materials to the
525 department chair/school director (or to the dean for chairs/directors and colleges
526 without departments or schools):



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528 a. Faculty members shall submit the FEAS Post-Tenure Review Report. The FEAS
529 Post-Tenure Review Report shall, for the reporting period, consist of:
530 1. The Curriculum Vita (CV)
531 2. The Assignment of Responsibilities (AOR)
532 3. SPCI reports, grade distribution, and other evidence of effective teaching.
533
534 b. Faculty members shall submit a summary of their accomplishments (1-page limit;
535 required) for the Review Period. They may also provide additional evidence or
536 explanation of their teaching, research and service accomplishments and
537 performance (3-page limit; optional).
538
539 (2) Department chairs/school directors shall prepare and submit to deans a report for each
540 participating faculty member, including the following:
541
542 a. Annual Evaluations for the Review Period. This includes narratives and the
543 summary forms.
544 b. Substantiated findings of any investigations that resulted in disciplinary action
545 beyond a letter of reprimand and indicates an ongoing pattern due to of due
546 misconduct or incompetence, which includes noncompliance with
547 university policies; or applicable laws or regulations within the scope of their
548 university employment during the review period. This information will be
549 provided by the Office of Faculty Development and Advancement.
550 c. A letter assessing their performance for the Review Period (for in-unit faculty
551 this shall include input from a faculty committee). This letter shall include
552 reference to the section C. "Criteria for Determining the Performance Rating".
553
554 a. Participating faculty members may review their Materials, including additions by
555 their chair/director, and shall have up to five days to provide a response that will
556 be included in the participating faculty member's Materials. This response may
557 include any explanations of disciplinary actions or negative evaluations, including
558 timelines and any steps that were taken to improve. The Deans shall be encouraged
559 to which may shall, if available, may include input from a college faculty
560 committee of tenured faculty, if practicable.
561 b. A rating of each faculty member using the Performance Rating Scale. The rating
562 shall take into consideration the participating faculty member's annual evaluations
563 for the review period.
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564 (3) Participating faculty members may review their Materials, including additions by
565 their dean, and shall have up to five days to provide a response that will be included
566 in the participating faculty member's Materials.
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568 (4) The Provost shall review supplemented Materials received from the dean, including
569 the dean’s recommended performance rating, which the Provost will accept, reject,
570 or modify. The Provost will rate the Eligible Faculty Member’s performance using
571 the Performance Rating Scale in consultation with the President and, if requested by
572 the Provost, if requested by the Provost if requested by the Provost, with input from
573 a faculty advisory committee. The Provost shall notify in writing all faculty
574 members under review of their ratings, justification, and outcomes.

575 (g) Outcomes from Post-Tenure Review

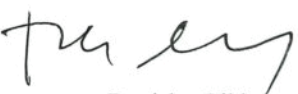

576 (1) Faculty members with the rating of “Meets Expectations” or “Exceeds Expectations”
577 will receive a monetary reward as specified in Article 23, Salaries.

579 (2) Faculty members who receive a rating of “Does Not Meet Expectations” shall be placed
580 on a Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) in accordance with the BOG Regulation
581 10.003 (5)(c). Additionally, the drafter of the PIP may consider changes to the faculty
582 AOR to better suit the strengths of the faculty member and the needs of the University.
583 The faculty member shall have a period of 12 months to achieve the requirements of
584 the PIP. If any faculty member placed on a PIP does not meet the requirements of the
585 PIP by the stated deadline, the Provost shall issue a notice of intent to terminate
586 employment of such faculty member, pursuant to applicable University processes.


588 (3) Faculty members who receive an “Unsatisfactory” rating from the Provost, the Provost
589 shall issue a Notice of Intent to Terminate letter in accordance with BOG Regulation
590 10.003(5)(d). Any proposed termination will be in accordance with Article 16 of the
591 CBA.


593 (4) Final decisions from the Post-Tenure Review process may be appealed via the
594 applicable collective bargaining agreement (CBA) or to the Faculty Senate Grievance
595 Committee. In-unit faculty members may file a grievance pursuant to the CBA. Florida
596 Statute Sec. 1001.741(2) prohibits arbitration on decisions relating to Post-Tenure
597 Review. Should this legal prohibition become invalidated, arbitration will be governed
598 pursuant to Article 20.

599 10.11010 Employee Assistance Programs. Neither the fact of a faculty member’s
600 participation in an employee assistance program nor information generated by participation in the
601 program shall be used as evidence of a performance deficiency within the evaluation process
602 described in this Article, except for information relating to a faculty member’s failure to participate
603 in an employee assistance program consistent with the terms to which the faculty member and the
604 Board have agreed.


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