

Academic Affairs Manual

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Tenure-Track Lines

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Guidelines and Rationale for Campus Tenure-Track Lines

Overview

- **1.0** This policy intends to facilitate the achievement of Goal #1, Objective A, Strategy #1 in the 2014-2020 University Strategic Plan to:
 - 1.1 "Conduct a comprehensive faculty flow data analysis of tenured and tenure-track faculty in order to develop a campus multi-year plan of faculty hiring."

Policy

- **2.0** Each academic year the Provost, along with the Office of Faculty Affairs & Development (FAD) and the Deans, will discuss the guiding principles and processes for decisions regarding the prioritization and allocation of new and "replacement" tenure-track lines, both at the College and University levels in the Academic Senate.
- **3.0** After consultation with the Academic Senate the Provost, along with the Office of Faculty Affairs and Development, will issue a "Call for Faculty Hires" to the Deans providing the positions that should be filled within the allotted academic year.
- **4.0** The Office of Faculty Affairs & Development will post each "Faculty Recruitment Flow Process Chart" before the new academic year.
- **5.0** FAD will generate, publish, and update the faculty position data annually, showing the distribution of tenure-track faculty by College and by Departments by each September. This information includes:
 - **5.1** Hires
 - **5.2** Retires
 - **5.3** Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) participants
 - **5.4** Leaves
- **6.0** The Provost and Deans utilize the above data to develop a multi-year plan for hiring tenure-track faculty.
- **7.0** The Deans, in conjunction with the Department Chairs and Program Coordinators, will provide the following information for the multi-year plan:
 - **7.1** Department Background
 - **7.2** Current Curricular Responsibilities
 - **7.3** Faculty Competencies
 - **7.4** Anticipated Needs
 - **7.5** Program Review Data
 - **7.6** Diversity Efforts

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7.7 Graduation Rates

- **7.8** Retention Rates
- **8.0** During the fall, the Provost and the Deans will discuss the new and "replacement" tenure-track hiring needs in the Colleges for the coming academic year.
- **9.0** Each year, before the end of the spring semester, the Provost will provide, in a report to the Academic Senate, a rationale for the allocation of new and "replacement" tenure-track lines for the upcoming academic year.
- **10.0** The Deans will report before the end of the spring semester to the Academic Senate and the Provost the hiring and replacement line needs within their College.
- 11.0 If changes to the University budget require changes to recruitment plans approved in the spring semester, the Provost shall update the Academic Senate and Dean's report in a timely fashion to the Colleges.

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