

The College of Liberal Studies
The University of Oklahoma
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Graduate teaching responsibilities in the College of Liberal Studies consist of teaching graduate seminar courses and online courses, supervising directed readings courses, serving on Master's level comprehensive exam committees, thesis committees, internship committees and research project committees. OU faculty who teach for CLS will hold graduate faculty membership through their home departments, and they may teach graduate level courses and chair and serve on graduate thesis, exam, internship and research project committees. In cases where the faculty member does not hold departmental graduate faculty status, CLS will consider and recommend faculty member for graduate faculty status. These faculty members may teach graduate level courses and serve on graduate thesis, exam, internship and research project committees.

The following criteria shall be the basis for selecting faculty for direct recommendation by the College of Liberal Studies

1. The faculty member will have an advanced post-baccalaureate or professional degree appropriate for her/his field. In some cases, faculty may not hold a terminal degree but will have compensating experience, expertise, and scholarly or professional accomplishments. Faculty without a terminal degree may not chair committees.
2. Such faculty will be evaluated for evidence of scholarly and/or professional activities and achievement every two years after their first appointment. During this evaluation, faculty must show evidence of at least three activities in any of the following areas: publication of at least one paper in an appropriate professional journal, a scholarly book, a chapter in an edited work, or publication in media other than print; creative exhibits or performances; development of museum exhibits; presentations at national or regional professional conferences; research or creative related service such as serving as a member on editorial boards, reviewing for granting agencies, refereeing exhibits or performances, or serving as a professional consultant; and receipt of extra mural grants or contracts to support scholarly or professional activity in the candidate's specialty.
3. Recommendations for membership in the Graduate Faculty will originate with the Graduate Faculty Committee of the College of Liberal Studies. This committee will consist of three OU faculty members who hold graduate faculty appointments including one member from each the Natural Sciences, the Social Sciences and the Humanities.