

Department of Psychology  
Criteria for Graduate Faculty Membership

A. Levels of Graduate Faculty Membership

The standard Graduate College categories of Graduate faculty membership are:

- M0: May teach graduate courses;
- M1: M1 members may teach graduate courses and be a member, or a director of Master's committees;
- M2: In addition to M1 status, M2 members may serve on doctoral committees;
- M3: In addition to M2 status, M3 members may direct Doctoral dissertations.

We believe that the distinguishing feature of membership should be whether or not a faculty member is able to supervise research at the Master's or Doctoral levels.

B. M3 Membership criteria

In order to be eligible for M3 membership, one must meet the M1 criteria and, in at least the last five-year period:

- 1) Publish two inquiries in one or more of the following three areas:
  - a) refereed journal
  - b) scholarly book
  - c) chapter in a scholarly book

AND

- 2) Earn two units from the following:
  - a) research-related service (such as serving as an editor or a member of an editorial board, regular reviewing of journal articles, reviewing grant proposals for external agencies, etc.), OR
  - b) research presentation at a national meeting, OR
  - c) receipt of approval of a grant proposal, OR
  - d) publication in recognized non-referred journals, OR
  - e) repetition of activities in 1) above (one unit per additional activity).\*

C. M2 Membership Criteria

In addition to meeting the M1 criteria, one must, in a five year period, show activity in at least two of the areas listed in 1) and 2) in Part B above.

D. M1 Membership Criteria

M1 membership is accorded to those who have earned the PhD in psychology, or a related area, and have published three research articles in refereed journals.

E. Change in Status

An upgrade in Graduate Faculty status may be attained by written application to the Departmental Graduate Faculty Committee. A change in status can be granted at such time as the faculty member has met the criteria for the rank desired. Ordinarily, a faculty member will be allowed to direct a graduate student's Master's Thesis if the faculty member was an M1 (M2 or M3) member when the student chose her/him as major professor.

F. New Faculty

New faculty will be admitted to the Graduate Faculty at the M2 (or M3 status if qualified) level at the time that they have produced two research articles in refereed journals. After admission to the Graduate Faculty, new faculty will be reviewed on the same five-year schedule as old faculty.

\*Decisions concerning whether the criteria in Part B 1) and 2) above have been met will be made by the Departmental Graduate Faculty Committee (Committee A). In order for a book to qualify as "scholarly," it ordinarily should be more advanced than the introductory, undergraduate level and have a purpose beyond that of enhancing the income of the author. Exceptions to this policy can be made by appeal to the Departmental Graduate Faculty committee.