## Department of Family and Consumer Sciences Graduate Faculty Criteria

Graduate Faculty: Full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty are eligible for Graduate Faculty Status for a three (3) year initial term, three (3) year or an eight (8) year renewal term upon providing documentation in the areas listed below. The applicant must have an appropriate degree, must provide evidence of teaching effectiveness, sustained scholarly, professional or creative activities, as well as, peer recognition in order to be appointed to the graduate faculty.

Criteria for initial or renewal tenured or tenure-track graduate faculty:
1. Recommendation by Departmental Graduate Faculty
2. Recommendation by Department Chair
3. Doctoral degree
4. Evidence of teaching effectiveness:
Graduate faculty candidate will present evidence of:
(a) Courses that are developed based on clearly defined educational goals,
measureable objectives and appropriate assessment strategies.
(b) Satisfactory instructor and course evaluations
(c) Ongoing participation in continuing education
5. In addition, to above criteria a minimum of two of the following:
(a) Professional licensure/certification in area of teaching
(b) A solo or co-authored article in a professional journal or book chapter
(c) An externally sponsored professional grant
(d) One peer-reviewed or invited presentation at professional meeting
(e) Promoted in rank the past six (6) years
(f) Documentation of clinical experience in area of teaching
6. Professional service that reflects scholarly activity, a minimum of two of the
following:
(a) Providing expertise and time to advise graduate students for curriculum,
portfolio review, theses, etc
(b) Serving on the editorial board of professional publication
(c) Recognition of professional achievements and activities by peers, as
evidenced by awards, fellowships, etc.
(d) Leadership positions in academic or professional organizations at the state, regional or national level
(e) Presenting workshops or in-service activities for specialization area
(f) Organizing a state, regional or national professionally related conference
Associate Graduate Faculty: Clinical instructors and/or adjunct faculty are eligible for an
nitial three (3) year term, three (3) year or eight (8) year renewal term upon providing
documentation of the following:
1. Recommendation by Departmental Graduate Faculty
2. Recommendation by Department Chair

3. Minimum of Masters degree
4. Evidence of teaching effectiveness or clinical experience, a minimum of one
of the following:
(a) Courses that are developed based on clearly defined educational goals,
measureable objectives and appropriate assessment strategies.
(b) Satisfactory instructor and course evaluations
(c) Ongoing participation in continuing education
(d) Documented effectiveness in clinical supervision
5. In addition to above criteria, a minimum of one of the following:
(a) Professional licensure in area of teaching
(b) An externally sponsored professional grant/award
(c) One peer-reviewed or invited presentation at professional meeting/conference
6. Professional service that reflects scholarly activity, s minimum of one of the
following:
(a) Recognition of professional achievements and activities
(b) Evidence of teaching effectiveness or clinical experience
(c) Promoted in rank within the last three (3) years
Affiliated Graduate Faculty may be full-time or adjunct faculty member that has limited
engagement in the graduate program such as an assignment to teach specific courses in their area
of expertise. The Affiliated Graduate faculty member is eligible for an initial three (3) year term
or a three (3) year renewal term upon providing documentation of the following:
1. Recommended by the Department Graduate Faculty
2. Recommended by the Department Chair
3. Master's Degree
In addition to the above, a minimum of two of the following:
4. Evidence of teaching effectiveness
5. Specialized credential in area of teaching
6. Documentation of clinical experience in area of teaching
7. Recognition of professional achievements by peers
8. Leadership positions in professional organizations

Note: Adjunct faculty and non-tenure track full-time faculty are appointed for a specified period as defined in the letter of appointment. Although they may be granted terms of graduate faculty membership for multiple years, this does not imply a commitment for employment beyond the expiration of a term appointment.