



APPLICATION FOR FULL GRADUATE FACULTY MEMBERSHIP

Alternative Research-Based Pathway

Please complete the application electronically and attach an abbreviated curriculum vitae (maximum three pages) that emphasizes your scholarly and professional productivity during the last 3 to 5 years. Please submit the completed application to the department chair and the college dean for signature. Once the application has all signatures from the college, it should be uploaded to the shared drive for Graduate Faculty Membership by the designated representative.

FULL MEMBERSHIP (Initial Certification)

Do not complete this form if you have no prior graduate teaching experience (i.e. taught graduate level courses or served on dissertation/thesis/project committee seen through completion. For details, refer to the criteria for graduate faculty membership)

These criteria apply to regular faculty (tenured or tenure-track) and research faculty with at least three (3) years of graduate faculty experience in higher education. Full graduate faculty members are eligible to direct/chair theses/dissertation committees.

1. Name:
2. Application Date:
3. Email:
4. Department:
5. College:
6. Year Hired at TSU:
7. Employment Status (check one): Tenured Tenure-Track Non-Tenure

B. Alternative Research-Based Pathway

RESEARCH-BASED PATHWAY REQUIREMENTS — APPLICANT STATEMENT
(Complete all that apply and attach required documentation.)

1. Qualifying research activity — the applicant must have either:
 - a. Served as Principal Investigator (PI) or Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI) on at least one

externally funded research project that has been successfully completed, with documented evidence of deliverables.

Project title(s):

Funder(s):

Role (PI/Co-PI):

Project period:

Award amount: _____

Deliverables attached: Yes No

Describe deliverables and outcomes (include publications, reports, datasets, patents, products):

OR

b. Successfully completed a formal postdoctoral research appointment or fellowship in the applicant's professional academic field at a recognized institution or research center.

Institution:

Postdoc/fellowship title:

Appointment period:

Documentation attached: Yes No

Describe research focus, primary outcomes, and evidence of completion (publications, reports, deliverables):

2. Terminal degree

The applicant must hold the terminal degree in the teaching field, or provide quality evidence that the degree is considered terminal or sufficient by the discipline.

Terminal degree held:

3. Degree conferral date:

4. Institution:

If degree is not a doctorate in the teaching field, provide explanation/evidence:

Documentation attached (diploma/transcript or discipline evidence): Yes No

3. Timeline for qualifying activity

Qualifying research activity completion date:

(Research activity should generally have been completed within the past five (5) years. In exceptional cases, up to seven (7) years may be considered with justification and evidence of continued productivity.) If activity completed more than 5 years ago, provide justification and evidence of continued research productivity:

4. Ongoing scholarly engagement

Provide recent evidence of ongoing scholarly engagement (publications, grants, presentations, creative works, patents) within the past 5 years:

Documentation attached: Yes No

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

IV. Approvals

Department Chair: _____ Date: _____

Academic Dean: _____ Date: _____

Graduate Dean: _____ Date: _____