

**CDDR Recommendations for Changes to the Faculty Handbook (10/12/09)
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Some teaching assistants are hired by departments but perform their duties within programs (e.g., Biology).

Current wording:

5.6.1 Policy and Procedures for Evaluating Proficiency

The supervision of teaching assistants and the maintenance of teaching proficiency standards are the responsibilities of the departments in which teaching assistants perform their duties. To that end departments will evaluate the teaching proficiency of teaching assistants at the end of each academic period. The nature and scope of these evaluations will vary with the instructional setting and the materials being taught.

Proposed wording

5.6.1 Policy and Procedures for Evaluating Proficiency

The supervision of teaching assistants and the maintenance of teaching proficiency standards are the responsibilities of the hiring department. To that end, departments or programs in which teaching assistants perform their duties will evaluate their teaching proficiency at the end of each academic period. The nature and scope of these evaluations will vary with the instructional setting and the materials being taught.