

Rationale:

The proposed revision is being put forward to clarify the time period under review for candidates being considered for promotion to professor. Note: the Faculty Senate Executive Board revised this docket item on 11/6/12. This revision was made based on feedback and conversations to clarify the language. This version now results in fewer changes to the current language than originally proposed.

5.2.3.3 Professor

A professor should be recognized by his/her professional peers within the university, as well as nationally and/or internationally, for the quality of the contribution to his /her discipline. The candidate must demonstrate the following:

- national distinction in scholarship, as evident in candidate's wide recognition and outstanding contributions to the field or profession
- effectiveness in areas of position responsibilities
- significant institutional service

There is no set time-line for a faculty member to demonstrate the three criteria identified above. The faculty member's entire academic career must be considered in the evaluation of whether or not the candidate has met these criteria. A recommendation for promotion to professor also must be based upon an assessment of the record since the last promotion, regardless of the institution that granted the promotion. The candidate is expected to have made contributions of appropriate magnitude and quality and demonstrated the ability to sustain contributions to the field or profession and to the university.