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UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN
STANDARDS FOR PROMOTION AND TENURE

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
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ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING (AP) APPOINTMENTS

A. PRINCIPLES

The award of tenure represents a long-term commitment of the University to a faculty member. It is a status granted as a result of judgement, by one's peers, on both the performance of academic duties and the expectation of future accomplishments. Promotion of colleagues involves an assessment of their success in performing their academic duties and an evaluation of the likelihood of future accomplishments.

Tenure and promotion both take place against a background of values most recently articulated in *A Framework for Planning at the University of Saskatchewan*, adopted by University Council in 1998. This document guides all of our decisions at the University of Saskatchewan including the collegial decisions of tenure and promotion, which are essential for the University's standing within the academic community. This document identified four major goals for the University.

- At the University of Saskatchewan, we have affirmed our intention to improve the quality of the instructional programs offered to students. This requires that considerable attention be paid to the evaluation of teaching to ensure that the instruction provided is, and continues to be, of high quality.

- At the University of Saskatchewan, we have affirmed that the "teacher-scholar" will be our adopted model for faculty development. This model builds on the principle that universities acquire their distinctive character through their capacity to unite scholarship with teaching. This capacity can only be realized by appropriate faculty personnel strategies, including those associated with tenure and promotion decisions.

- At the University of Saskatchewan, we have also affirmed that we will increase our research efforts. *A Framework for Planning* makes the following judgement: "At the University of Saskatchewan the commitment to research and scholarship needs to be intensified." To achieve this goal, we must ensure that our hopes are reflected in the standards that we set for ourselves.

- At the University of Saskatchewan, we have signaled our intention to respond to the needs of Aboriginal peoples. *A Framework for Planning* indicates that: "In Saskatchewan, the task of responding to specific, local needs and, simultaneously opening doors to the world, is particularly pressing in the context of Aboriginal peoples." To achieve this goal, we must ensure that the standards we adopt encourage the recruitment of Aboriginal peoples into academic positions and their successful career development.

In addition to these four broad goals, *A Framework for Planning* identifies three principles by which we must govern ourselves: autonomy, quality and accountability.   At the University of Saskatchewan we believe that all of our decisions, including our collegial decisions, must take these principles into account.

Finally, the University of Saskatchewan's Mission Statement indicates that we value interdisciplinary research and teaching and we should foster it within our institution. The Mission Statement highlights the four scholarships of teaching, discovery, integration, and application. This inclusive approach to scholarship is intended, among other things, to ensure that faculty who have interdisciplinary interests will be encouraged to pursue them and they will be taken into account and valued in the context of tenure and promotion considerations.

B.   AUTHORITY

This document contains standards defining the expectations of performance for the award of tenure and promotion at the University of Saskatchewan.[i] The University Review Committee establishes the University's criteria and standards for renewal of probation, tenure, and promotion. Given the broad array of colleges and disciplines represented at the University of Saskatchewan, differences will exist from department to department and from college to college. Colleges and departments will propose their own standards and these must be consistent with the intent and the framework of the University standards. All college standards must be approved by the University Review Committee before implementation at the college level. All department standards must be approved by the College Review Committee before implementation at the department level.

C.   CATEGORIES OF EVALUATION

There are seven categories under which a candidate for tenure or promotion may be evaluated. These categories are:

1. Academic Credentials
2. Teaching Ability and Performance
3. Knowledge of Discipline and Field of Specialization
4. Research, Scholarly and Artistic Work
5. Practice of Professional Skills
6. (a) Contributions to Administrative Responsibilities of the Department, College or University
   (b) Contributions to the Extension Responsibilities of the Department, College or University
7. Public Service and Contributions to Academic and Professional Bodies

Standards of performance are established for each category in Section D below. All faculty are assessed under category four unless the letter of appointment states category five.

The categories in which candidates must meet the standards for tenure in the professorial ranks and for promotion to Associate Professor and Professor are shown in Table I. Each candidate will be evaluated for all categories that are applicable to the candidate's position and to the tenure or promotion decision under consideration. For a candidate to be awarded an overall rating of "meets the standard" for tenure and promotion they must have an overall rating of "meets the standard" in each and every category under consideration. If a department or college committee rates a candidate as "does not meet the standard" in any category they must vote no to the question "shall tenure or promotion be recommended". If there is **superior** performance where none is required, or if there is a contribution where there is no requirement for one, this fact is seen as positive but does not compensate for failure to meet the standard in a required category.

B.   AUTHORITY

This document contains standards defining the expectations of performance for the award of tenure and promotion as an Academic Programming (AP) Appointment in the College of Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan.

C.   CATEGORIES OF EVALUATION

The career path of a faculty member will be identified in the initial letter of offer. (See F. Definitions for range of duties.) Changes to a faculty member's career path must be recommended by the Department Head and supported by the Dean, approved by the Provost and agreed to by the Joint Committee for the Management of the Agreement (JCMA).
In the College of Medicine, faculty members are not engaged in artistic work as part of their assigned duties.

Tenure will be awarded on the basis of three primary categories: academic credentials (Category One); effectiveness in teaching (Category Two); and, achievements in <u>either</u> research, scholarly and/or artistic work (Category Four) <u>or</u> practice of professional skills (Category Five). If faculty are being assessed in Category Five it will be stated in their letter of appointment. The promise of future development as a teacher, scholar and professional, achievement in scholarly activity beyond that demonstrated at appointment, and the attainment of a national or international reputation in the discipline, will be important criteria in the evaluation process.

Promotion through the ranks requires a judgement of performance against increasing expectations for effectiveness in teaching, significance of the scholarly or creative work, practice of a profession, and contributions to service within and outside the University community. With respect to teaching, research, scholarly and/or artistic work or practice of professional skills, candidates for promotion must have maintained and extended their knowledge of the discipline or field. In some cases, additional training and academic/professional credentials may be pre-requisites for promotion.

The standard for renewal of probationary appointments will be satisfactory progress towards meeting the tenure standards for the appropriate rank in all relevant categories. For this purpose, 'satisfactory progress' will be taken to mean that the candidate's teaching and research and scholarly activities indicate a reasonable likelihood that the tenure standards can be met within the allotted timeframe. If renewal of probation is not recommended, the Department Head or Dean (in non-departmentalized colleges) must demonstrate that the candidate has not made satisfactory progress towards the tenure standards for the appropriate rank.

In this document, the term college is understood to include both Graduate Schools and the University Library. Standards of performance and details of all categories for Librarian ranks are described in the University Library Standards; and, for Assistant Professors (Crop Development Centre – CDC), Associate Professors (CDC) and Professors (CDC) in the College of Agriculture and Bioresources standards. It is expected that these standards will parallel the progressive requirements of other members of faculty.

The requirements listed in Table I are considered a minimum. If a College Review Committee identifies more demanding requirements as appropriate for that college, it will submit a proposal to the University Review Committee. Because Table I does not provide requirements for tenure as Instructor, Lecturer or for promotion to Assistant Professor, in colleges where such appointments
are common, the college standards will specify the minimum requirements. In other cases, the requirements for specific appointments should be established by the Search and Appointment Committees at the time of appointment

These standards introduce a **requirement** for the creation of a **tenure or promotion case file** which describes the candidate's philosophy, activities, achievements, and plans in the categories of teaching, research and/or scholarly work or practice of professional skills, and other relevant categories (i.e., administration, extension and public service) and which describes the committees' evaluation, both qualitative and quantitative, of the candidate. One tenure or promotion case file will be submitted for each candidate under consideration. See Section E for a description of the required documentation.

TABLE I– REQUIRED CATEGORIES

	(1) Academic/Professional Credentials	(2) Teaching	(3) Knowledge of Discipline	(4) Research, Scholarly and Artistic Work *	(5) Practice of Professional Skills *	(6) (a) Administration (b) Extension	(7) Public Service And Service to Professional Bodies
Tenure as Assistant Professor	X	X	X	X or X		NR**	NR
Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor	X	X	X	X or X		(a) X (b) NR**	Candidates must demonstrate willingness to participate
Tenure as or Promotion to Professor	X	X	X	X or X		(a) X (b) NR**	Candidates must demonstrate willingness to participate

X = Candidate is required to meet the standard in this category.
NR = Candidate is not required to meet the standard in this category for promotion or tenure.

* Candidate is required the meet the standard in research, scholarly or artistic work except where the approved college standards state that practice of professional skills is an acceptable alternative for a department or other unit.

** For all ranks, candidate is required to meet the standard in extension service only if part of assigned duties of position.

Note: The table should not be considered in isolation, but only in conjunction with the text as a whole, in particular Section D where the standards (for promotion and tenure) in each category are described.

TABLE 1A – REQUIRED CATEGORIES

	(1) Academic/Profession-al Credentials	(2) Teach-ing	(3) Knowledge of Discipline	(4) Research, Scholarly and Artistic Work	(5) Practice of Professional Skills	(6) a) Administration b) Extension	(7) Public Service And Service to Professional Bodies
Tenure as Assistant Professor (AP)	X	X	X	NR	X	a) X b) NR**	Candidates must demonstrate willingness to participate
Tenure as or Promo-tion to Associate Professor (AP)	X	X	X	NR	X	a) X b) Candidates must demonstrate a willingness to participate	X

X = Candidate is required to meet the standard in this category.
NR = Candidate is not required to meet the standard in this category for promotion or tenure.

** For all ranks, candidate is required to meet the standard in extension service only if part of assigned duties of position.

Note: The table should not be considered in isolation, but only in conjunction with the text as a whole, in particular Section D where the standards (for promotion and tenure) in each category are described.
See Table IB below for range of duties in required categories.

TABLE IB – RANGE OF DUTIES In REQUIRED CATEGORIES:

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING (AP) APPOINTMENT	(2) Teaching	(4) Research & Scholarly Work	(5.1) Academic Programming Practice	(5.2) Academic Programming Practice	(6) Adminis-tration	(7) Public Service
Range of Duties	25 - 50%	---	25 - 30%	5 - 10%	5 - 20%	5 -10%

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D. STANDARDS FOR EACH CATEGORY OF EVALUATION

The minimum acceptable standards for tenure and promotion at the University of Saskatchewan are described below.

1. ACADEMIC AND/OR PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

Academic credentials will be reviewed as part of tenure and promotion decisions, but they are of particular importance in tenure considerations. Expectations regarding credentials and qualifications will be included in the candidate's letter of appointment.

The required academic credential for tenure and promotion is a Ph.D., or its discipline-specific counterpart, from a university/institution recognized by the University of Saskatchewan. Colleges will indicate in their standards which qualifications constitute the acceptable counterpart for the discipline in question. Each college will specify whether additional expectations will be required, e.g. professional credentials (such as speciality certification, registration or licensure in the profession). In cases where the Ph.D. or other qualifying credentials are not completed at the time of appointment, the letter of appointment will indicate that tenure cannot be awarded without the required credentials as specified in this section.

In exceptional cases, alternative qualifications will be accepted when such qualifications are deemed to be equivalent to the academic credentials typically expected in the discipline. The acceptability of these alternative qualifications must be explained and stipulated in the candidate's letter of appointment.

2. TEACHING ABILITY AND PERFORMANCE

Good teaching is expected of all faculty and evaluation of teaching will form an essential component of tenure and promotion considerations. University teaching requires more than classroom performance. Candidates will be expected to demonstrate mastery of their subject area(s) or discipline(s), to make thorough preparation for their classes, to communicate effectively with their students, to show a willingness to respond to students' questions and concerns, and to exhibit fairness in evaluating students[ii].

Both before and after tenure is awarded, faculty are expected to remain committed to improving/enhancing their teaching performance and to remedy problems identified with their teaching. As faculty progress through the ranks, they will be expected to extend their knowledge of their field(s) or discipline(s), i.e. with respect to classes, currency of the material presented, and new teaching methods.

For tenure and promotion, assessment of teaching performance will be based on *a series of evaluations* of a candidate's teaching performance and teaching materials *over a period of time*. The assessment will involve both peer and student evaluation of aspects of teaching and evidence of performance described in Table II. Evaluations, both peer and student, will be obtained on an *ongoing basis* and should be shared with candidates for formative purposes.

College standards may specify which of the various teaching roles and aspects identified in Table II are to be evaluated and how the overall assessment of teaching performance is to be made, i.e., what items or activities are to be reviewed and by whom. College standards will specify those situations in which candidates must demonstrate satisfactory performance in specific teaching roles or aspects of

teaching in order to receive an overall assessment of meeting the standard in this category. When

D. STANDARDS FOR EACH CATEGORY OF EVALUATION

1. ACADEMIC AND/OR PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

In the College of Medicine, the faculty member in an Academic Programming (AP) Appointment must have a PhD, an MD, or a comparable degree(s) from a recognized university as a minimum qualification. Only in special circumstances will an exception be made. Faculty in clinical departments with direct or indirect patient care responsibilities must hold a license to practice medicine in the province of Saskatchewan and be accorded hospital privileges in the Health Region where teaching duties are assigned. Where applicable, such faculty must also hold a specialist certificate granted by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or a certificate granted by the College of Family Physicians of Canada. In special cases, training and experience in a specialty comparable to the requirements of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or College of Family Physicians of Canada (or eligibility for examination) may be acceptable. When a sub-specialty is not recognized by certifying authorities (by suitable examination), certification in a related major specialty may be acceptable.

2. TEACHING ABILITY AND PERFORMANCE

Teaching responsibilities are determined at the time of appointment by the Department Head as part of the assignment of duties. It is not expected that Academic Programming (AP) Appointment faculty would be involved in all of the teaching roles listed, but only those roles set out for that faculty member by the Department Head. The Department Head will, at the beginning of the academic year, review with each faculty member what will be expected of them in their teaching duties, including the evaluative procedures to be followed.

The College of Medicine has resolved that all faculty with teaching responsibilities be strongly encouraged to pursue teaching excellence by at least annual attendance at a TIPS course and/or other workshop(s) offered by Educational Support & Development or their equivalent; also, that all newly appointed faculty with teaching responsibilities must complete the TIPS course within the first year of their academic appointment and that they should continue to pursue teaching excellence by attending at least one workshop offered each year by Educational Support & Development or its equivalent.

Normally, Academic Programming (AP) Appointments will not be expected to be members of the College of Graduate Studies and Research (CGSR) or to supervise graduate students. Where their skills, education and experience are equivalent to those expected for appointment of Professional Affiliates, they will be granted permission by the Dean CGSR to serve on graduate student Advisory and Examining Committees and to teach graduate courses. In exceptional circumstances, Academic Programming (AP) Appointments can be nominated for membership in the CGSR, and if accepted under the established membership criteria and with the approval of the Dean CGSR, Academic Programming (AP) Appointments may be allowed to supervise graduate students. Under no circumstances shall Academic Programming (AP) Appointments supervise a graduate student seeking a higher degree than that held by the Academic Programming (AP) Appointment.

The College of Medicine may expect candidates to participate in the supervision of graduate students, and postgraduate clinical trainees (residents) in departments/schools/programs that offer graduate programs. In addition to standard teaching

evaluating a candidate's teaching performance, it may be appropriate in some cases to consider aspects and review items other than those listed in Table II; however, any additional elements must be included in the college standards and must be approved by the University Review Committee.

TABLE II - EVALUATION OF TEACHING

Teaching Roles	Aspects to be assessed	Items and Activities to be reviewed
· teaching in introductory undergraduate courses · teaching in advanced undergraduate courses · teaching in graduate courses · clinical teaching in undergraduate or graduate courses · teaching and/or supervision of students performing clinical work, practica or other types of field work, study-abroad or international exchange programs · supervising honours students · advising and supervising graduate students, post-doctoral fellows · teaching courses in certificate or diploma programs · co-ordination or administration of multiple section or multiple instructor courses · contributions to internationalization of educational experience · teaching at a distance	· organization of class/course · preparation for classes · appropriateness of material presented; i.e., volume, level, currency · clarity of communication · ability to stimulate students' interest · responsiveness to students' questions and concerns · fairness and adequacy of evaluation of students' performance · willingness to try different or new teaching methods and technologies · availability for students outside of class time · adequacy of support and direction provided to graduate students · fairness in dealing with students · teaching innovation in curricular design · incorporation of teaching innovations into teaching pedagogy · extent to which scholarly work is brought into the classroom	· teaching in the classroom · teaching in clinical or laboratory settings · course outlines/syllabi · instructional materials -- written course materials, laboratory manuals, audio-visual resources, computer programs · examinations · involvement on graduate advisory and/or examination committees · supervision of undergraduate and graduate student work · progress/success of graduate students supervised · teaching dossier · development and supervision of academic exchange and/or study abroad programs · pedagogical research, publications and presentations

a) **Evaluation by Peers:** Peer evaluation will embrace the various aspects of teaching described in Table II; e.g., classroom performance, the quality of examinations, course outlines and course materials, syllabi, reading materials, reading lists, laboratory manuals, workbooks, and classroom assignments. All peer evaluations will culminate in a written assessment. If senior colleagues make visitations to classrooms as part of the determination of a colleague's delivery, rapport, attentiveness and responsiveness to students, the written assessment will specify the teaching roles being performed.

b) **Evaluation by Students**: The following methods of undergraduate and graduate student evaluation will be acceptable:
- written appraisals, obtained by the Department Head or Dean, and signed by students. If based on a specific course, the number of students enrolled in that course will be provided.
- Questionnaires, approved at the department or college level, administered by a college or department official (other than the instructor) appointed for this purpose, and completed by students. A summary, including an interpretation, of the numeric results and any qualitative

roles, teaching in the College of Medicine may also include clinical teaching in undergraduate and graduate courses, teaching and/or supervision of students performing clinical work, advising and supervising graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, teaching courses in certificate programs (e.g. ACLS, PedALS), inter-professional teaching, teaching in courses provided by Continuing Professional Learning, teaching at a distance and teaching in faculty development workshops. Faculty members in an Academic Programming (AP) Appointment may seek membership in the College of Graduate Studies and Research to contribute to graduate program delivery, graduate student instruction and research training.

Aspects to be assessed include but are not limited to organization of class/course, preparation for classes, appropriateness of material presented, clarity of communication, ability to stimulate students' interest, responsiveness to students' questions and concerns, fairness and adequacy of evaluation of students' performance, willingness to try different or new teaching methods and technologies, teaching innovation in curricular design, and extent to which scholarly work is brought into the classroom or bedside.

To meet the standard for teaching in the College of Medicine, a candidate's peer evaluations and student evaluations must be satisfactory and show evidence of improvement in teaching.

Tenure as Assistant Professor:
Faculty in an Academic Programming (AP) Appointment will devote 25 -50% of their time to teaching. They will also participate in course coordination, curriculum development and development of teaching methods.

Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor:
Faculty in an Academic Programming (AP) Appointment will devote 25- 50% of their time to teaching. At the Associate Professor rank it is anticipated these faculty will participate to a greater extent in departmental teaching and will take a greater lead in facilitating the use of innovative teaching methods, course coordination and curriculum development. The candidate may also be involved in the significant reorganization of courses and the introduction of new courses or implementation of innovative teaching methods.

comments will be provided by the department or college at the time of tenure or promotion. Results of the questionnaire will include the enrolment in the course and the number of completed evaluations received.

Peer and student evaluations will be coordinated by the Dean or Department Head (or designates) and will require consultation with the candidate to ensure that all committees have the necessary information upon which to base a decision. The Dean or Department Head may request written comments from the coordinator of multiple section or multiple instructor courses or other instructors of the course as part of the assessment.

3.   KNOWLEDGE OF THE DISCIPLINE AND FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION

Candidates for tenure and promotion will have developed an academic field of specialization and/or an area of focus and will demonstrate knowledge of the field of specialization and its relation to the discipline. Evidence to be used to evaluate performance in this category will primarily focus on the breadth of the candidate's work and its relationship to the discipline. Evidence used to evaluate the candidate's knowledge of the discipline will include either:

- a written statement by the candidate, submitted in either Category 4 (Research, Scholarly and/or Artistic Work) or Category 5 (Practice of Professional Skills), outlining the candidate's research program and its relationship to the discipline.

AND/OR

- a seminar to colleagues at the University of Saskatchewan, at tenure, or at each rank for promotion, outlining the candidate's research program and its relationship to the discipline.

Additional evidence may be considered in this category, including peer-reviewed grants, peer review activity for journals in the discipline, invited lectures and presentations at conferences directly relevant to the field of specialization.

To assess this category, Department and College Review Committees must indicate the evidence used in making the evaluation.

4.   RESEARCH, SCHOLARLY AND/OR ARTISTIC WORK

Research, scholarly and/or artistic work is expected of all faculty. For the purposes of this document, and for faculty evaluated under this category, **research, scholarly and/or artistic work is creative, intellectual work which is in the public realm and which has been subjected to external peer review**. This includes, in the case of artistic work, exhibitions and performances.

Although academic disciplines may differ in the avenues for publication or presentation of scholarly activity, the ***primary and essential evidence*** in this category is publication in reputable peer-reviewed outlets or, in the case of performance or artistic work, presentation in reputable peer-reviewed venues.

Evaluation of research, scholarly and/or artistic work for tenure and promotion at all ranks will address the ***quality and significance of the work***. Evidence will include the peer reviewed publications and presentations referenced above, but may also include other works (e.g. artistic works, performances, research related patents, copyrighted software and audio-visual materials).

3.   KNOWLEDGE OF THE DISCIPLINE AND FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION

In the College of Medicine, evidence used to evaluate the candidate's knowledge of the discipline will include both:

- A written statement summarizing the evidence that would demonstrate the candidate's knowledge in the Field of Specialization. Examples of evidence for faculty in an Academic Programming (AP) Appointment are:
-development of lectures, courses, curriculum, teaching modules and laboratory exercises
-instructional design
-assessment tools

- An open seminar during the academic year before tenure or promotion, to colleagues at the University of Saskatchewan outlining the candidate's academic program. Such seminars will be evaluated by the faculty member's Department and the College Review Committee

PREAMBLE TO CATEGORIES 4 AND 5:

Category 4: Faculty in Academic Programming (AP) Appointments will not be evaluated under this category.

In some disciplines the award of research funding from provincial, national or international granting councils or agencies that employ a process of peer evaluation is also a significant indication of a candidate's performance. Colleges may specify the type and weighting of the contributions to be assessed in this category.

Specific Requirements by Rank: In addition to the above general requirements, the following will form the basis of the recommendation:

Tenure as Assistant Professor: For tenure to be recommended, there must be compelling evidence that a body of high quality scholarly work has been completed beyond that demonstrated at appointment. There must also be evidence of the promise of future development as a scholar, including the presence of a defined program of research or scholarship. Evidence of the ability to obtain adequate research funding will be required if specified in college or department standards.

The quality of research, scholarly and/or artistic work will be assessed, using the tenure and promotion standards of the University of Saskatchewan, by at least three senior academics[iii] drawn from comparable institutions.

Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor: For the award of tenure or promotion to be recommended, there must be compelling evidence of significant achievement in scholarly activity beyond that demonstrated at appointment and beyond that expected for the rank of Assistant Professor. Candidates will demonstrate through refereed publications or performances or exhibitions that the results of their research, scholarly or artistic work have made a contribution sufficient to be recognized by colleagues in their field in other parts of Canada or internationally. There must also be evidence of a program of research or scholarship, clearly defined and executed by the candidate, and a positive indication that the candidate will maintain activity in research and scholarly work. Evidence of the ability to obtain adequate research funding will be required if specified in college or department standards.

For tenure at the Associate rank (unless tenure is a condition of appointment), the quality of research, scholarly and/or artistic work will be assessed, using the tenure and promotion standards of the University of Saskatchewan, by at least three senior academics drawn from comparable institutions.

For promotion to the Associate rank, the candidate will be evaluated by colleagues in the candidate's department or college (in the case of non-departmentalized colleges). The candidate will provide an up-to-date *curriculum vitae* and, in collaboration with the Department Head/Dean, will provide a case file, and other relevant evidence for the purposes of this assessment.

Tenure as or Promotion to Professor: For the award of tenure or promotion to be recommended, there must be compelling evidence of significant achievement in scholarly activity beyond that demonstrated at appointment and beyond that expected for the rank of Associate Professor. Candidates will demonstrate, through publications in reputable, peer reviewed outlets or through peer reviewed performances or exhibitions, that the results of their research have made a contribution to the field of specialization, sufficient for this contribution to be recognized as substantial by authorities in the field in other parts of Canada and other countries as appropriate. There must also be evidence of leadership in the establishment and execution of a clearly defined program of research or scholarship and a positive indication that the candidate will maintain activity in research and scholarly work. Evidence of the ability to obtain adequate research funding will be required if specified in college or department standards. Candidates will also be expected to participate in the supervision of graduate students in departments or colleges

that offer graduate programs.

For tenure (unless tenure is a condition of appointment) and/or promotion, the quality of research, scholarly and/or artistic work will be assessed, using the tenure and promotion standards of the University of Saskatchewan, by at least three senior academics drawn from comparable institutions.

5. PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Candidates considered for promotion and tenure under this category will, as a major part of their assigned duties, engage in a professional practice which involves a significant and continuing commitment of time. Research and scholarly work linked to their professional practice is expected of all faculty evaluated under this category of assessment.

Professional practice means mastery of the professional skills associated with the discipline, and their effective use in a discipline-appropriate practice setting. **Research and scholarly work is creative, intellectual work which is in the public realm and which has been subjected to external peer review**.

Both the professional practice and the research and scholarly work components of this category of assessment will be taken into account in the overall evaluation of the candidate's performance. The evaluation should reflect the balance between the practice of professional skills and the research and scholarly work in which the candidate is engaged.

5.1 Professional Practice
Colleges will define professional practice in the context of their particular disciplines. Two examples are provided for illustrative purposes.

Clinical Practice applies to faculty members in one of the health science professions, and faculty members from other disciplines who engage in testing, diagnosis, remediation, coaching, counselling and similar activities. College standards will refer to some or all of the standards for practice identified in the list below and outline expectations.

Educational Practice applies to faculty members engaged in a professional practice in educational program development and delivery, and/or in instructional design. College standards will outline expectations ensuring that the practice is grounded in a conceptual framework that is supported by contemporary literature, and that there is evidence of results achieved.

In colleges where this category of assessment is employed, colleges will provide definitions of professional practice similar to those provided above and will identify the elements of practice to be evaluated. College standards will include some or all of the following:

- performance of professional skills (e.g., clinical management, counselling, program design and evaluation, diagnosis, systems analysis, applied government and/or private sector technical and policy reports)
- peer recognition (e.g., referrals and requests for services, provision of expert advice, testimonials from client organizations, professional association recognition)

5. PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

In this category, both Professional Practice which is evaluated under 5.1, and Research and Scholarly Work which is evaluated under 5.2, will be taken into account in the overall evaluation of the candidate's performance. The Department Head must present the ratio of Professional Practice to Research and Scholarly Work which has been assigned for the candidate. The candidate should be participating in or developing program based practice; the program may be interdisciplinary and/or interdepartmental.

5.1 Professional Practice:

5.1 Academic Programming Practice: In the College of Medicine, academic programming practice is defined as program and curriculum development, instructional design, and educational program development and delivery.

Elements to be evaluated for Academic Programming Practice - activity categories may include:

Table III

Teaching Roles	Aspects to be Assessed	Items & Activities to be Reviewed
Activity that Fosters Learning: • direct teaching • creation of associated instructional materials	• frequency and duration of teaching	• instructional material authored by the faculty member
	• evidence of learning by the students	• student and peer evaluations • pre and post-teaching student assessments • self-reported learning objectives from students
	• teaching awards received	• teaching award
	• application of evidence-informed practice from education literature to teaching approach	• documentation of evidence-informed practices utilized in teaching

- delivery of health care, technical or professional services
- completeness and accuracy of investigations, procedures, reports, case records, policy analyses, etc.
- effectiveness as a professional role model (for students and other trainees)
- willingness to accept and perform duties out of regular working hours and in emergencies where this is an integral part of professional practice
- adequacy and diversity of the service load where this is an integral part of professional practice
- communication with colleagues and clients
- evidence of the ability to organize and manage complex multi-faceted and large-scale programs
- evidence of the ability to establish effective relationships with professional colleagues, resource persons, clients and collaborators
- success in obtaining external funding
- leadership in the discipline with respect to the profession

In assembling evidence of professional practice, college standards will ensure that a broad-based consultative process is in place for tenure or promotion considerations. Following consultation with the candidate, the Department Head and/or Dean will request confidential, written evaluations from clients, client agencies or colleagues who are familiar with the technical and/or professional aspects of practice. Candidates may also provide letters of support (placed in the case file, see Section E). College standards may refer to standards/codes adopted by appropriate professional organizations as a guide for evaluation of practice of the profession.

Curriculum Development	• documentation of curricular offering authored or co-authored by the faculty member	• faculty member's role, content contributions and expertise along with the intended purpose, target audience, design and evaluation
	• quality of curricular activity	• student reactions and ratings • impact of learning through evaluation of outcomes
	• use of evidence-informed practices in curriculum development	• documentation of evidence-informed practices utilized in curriculum development
	• wider use of curriculum by broader educational community	• peer-review by local experts, curriculum committee or accreditation reviewers • invited presentations to meetings • acceptance of material to a peer-reviewed repository • list of institutions where the curriculum has been adopted • documentation of consultations attributed to the developed curriculum • number of citations in other instructors' curricula
Mentorship/Advising • educators help learners accomplish their goals	• number of students or colleagues mentored or advised	• name and status, and estimate of amount of time invested in the activity
	• evaluations of mentoring or advising effectiveness	• commentaries from advisees
	• documentation of participation in professional development activities to improve mentoring or advising skills • facilitate knowledge translation such as leading initiatives that improve institutional mentoring or advising practices • documentation of invitations to critically evaluate other mentoring programs • serving as a mentoring consultant to professional organizations	• letters or certificates from organizations or individuals confirming participation and completion
Educational Administration or Leadership	• documentation of the nature of leadership projects	• the project's duration, your leadership role, process of the project, evaluation of outcomes and financial and human resources utilized.
	• the dissemination of the innovations to the greater educational community	• documentation confirming workshops or presentations given.
Learner Assessment	• activities associated with measuring learners knowledge, skills and attitudes	• documentation of the assessment activity's size and scope, including evidence of utilization of evaluation tools with established reliability and validity standards

Letters of evaluation from peers inside and outside the academic unit shall be sought by the Department Head or the candidate in reference to the candidate's teaching practice and programming related to their professional practice.

<u>**Specific Requirements Under 5.1 Academic Programming Practice For Each Rank:**</u>

Tenure as Assistant Professor
Candidates with 25 - 30% of their time devoted to academic programming responsibilities will: participate in professional development activities to improve skills in mentoring, advising and other teaching practices, use evidence-informed practices in curriculum development and show evidence of effective teaching.

Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor, in addition to the requirements above for Assistant Professor:
Candidates with 25 - 30% of their time devoted to academic program responsibilities will: demonstrate effectiveness of their contributions and improvements to modules, courses and curriculum, mentor and advise students and colleagues and participate in educational leadership and show evidence of effective teaching over time.

5.2   Scholarly Work

Candidates for tenure or promotion will engage in scholarly work appropriate to the profession or discipline with the fundamental expectation that the results of scholarly work will be shared with other members of the profession and the academic community. Publication in reputable peer-reviewed outlets is the *primary* evidence in this category.

Evaluation of scholarly work for tenure and promotion at all ranks will address the *quality and significance of the work*. There must be a positive indication of involvement in scholarly work with research funding at levels appropriate to the discipline.

College standards will indicate the appropriate vehicles for dissemination or publication of scholarly work (e.g., publication of refereed articles, case reports; preparation of technical reports, reports to agencies; presentations at academic, scientific or professional meetings, dissemination of scholarly work to community organizations). College standards must make a case for standards of quality and significance equivalent to peer reviewed publications if vehicles other than these are used as a basis for the assessment.

Specific Requirements for Each Rank: In addition to the above general requirements, the following will form the basis of the recommendation:

For Tenure as Assistant Professor: There must be compelling evidence, beyond that demonstrated at appointment, that: 1) the candidate is developing a leadership role in the field of specialization with provision for further development; and, 2) the candidate is contributing to the creation and dissemination of knowledge through scholarly work. There must also be evidence of the promise of future development as a practitioner and scholar, including the presence of a defined professional practice and a defined program of scholarship. Evidence of the ability to obtain adequate research funding will be required if specified in college or department standards.

The quality of the candidate's professional practice and scholarly work will be assessed, using the tenure and promotion standards of the University of Saskatchewan, by at least three senior academics[iv] drawn from comparable institutions.

5.2   Scholarly Work

Evaluation of scholarly work for promotion and tenure will address the quality and significance of the work, in preference to the volume. This may include research funding or institutional support, from sources other than traditional granting agencies.

Elements to be evaluated for Scholarly Work Linked to Academic Programming Practice: The scholarly work linked to professional practice should be aligned with the candidate's academic practice. There must be evidence of continuing development of scholarly work by the candidate individually, or as a contributor to their practice. Candidates for tenure and promotion will be assessed in the following categories of scholarly work related to practice of professional skills:

Publications: Publication in peer reviewed literature is the primary evidence in this category. Examples include publications of instructional material, curriculum development innovations and learners' knowledge.
Presentations: Presentations of instructional materials, developed curricula and learners' knowledge at peer reviewed regional, provincial, national or international scientific meetings and/or invited professor/lecturer at Canadian or international universities or academic medical centers.
Instructional Innovations: Documentation of acceptance of curriculum by the broader educational community.
Mentorship/Advising: Documentation of mentorship activities. Examples include number of students mentored and effectiveness of the mentorship and participation in mentorship activities to the broader educational community and professional organizations.
Scholarship Awards: Recipient of peer reviewed personal awards directly related to practice.

Tenure as Assistant Professor:
Candidates with 5-10% of their time devoted to scholarly work must demonstrate: Active participation in program based academic clinical practice, recognition as major member of program based practice, participation in Quality Assurance Program, participation in academic educational research or program/course evaluation, participation in ongoing educational program development, maintenance and enhancement of competence. There must also be evidence of continuing development of a program of scholarship.

For Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor: There must be compelling evidence, beyond that demonstrated for the rank of Assistant Professor, that: 1) the candidate has established a significant leadership role in the field of specialization and demonstrated exemplary standards of client service; and, 2) the candidate has contributed to the creation and dissemination of knowledge through scholarly work. There must also be evidence of continuing development as a practicing professional and as a scholar, including the presence of a clearly defined professional practice and a clearly defined program of scholarship. The results of significant investigations, such as experimental studies or clinical observations, must have been published in reputable peer-reviewed publications. This work must have made a contribution sufficient to be recognized by colleagues in their field in other parts of Canada or internationally. Evidence of the ability to obtain adequate research funding will be required if specified in college or department standards.

For tenure at the Associate rank (unless tenure is a condition of appointment), the quality of the candidate's professional practice and scholarly work will be assessed, using the tenure and promotion standards of the University of Saskatchewan, by at least three senior academics drawn from comparable institutions.

For promotion to the Associate rank, the candidate will be evaluated by colleagues in the candidate's department or college (in the case of non-departmentalized colleges). The candidate will provide an up-to-date *curriculum vitae* and, in collaboration with the Department Head/Dean, will provide a case file, and other relevant evidence for the purposes of this assessment.

For Tenure as or Promotion to Professor: There must be compelling evidence, beyond that demonstrated for the rank of Associate Professor, that: 1) the candidate has demonstrated a sustained high level of performance in the practice of the profession and established a reputation for expertise in the field among colleagues and, where appropriate, clients or client agencies; and, 2) the candidate has made a significant contribution to the creation and dissemination of knowledge through scholarly work. There must also be evidence of leadership in the establishment and execution of a clearly defined program of scholarship and a positive indication that the candidate will maintain activity in scholarly work as well as in professional practice. The candidate will have played a leading role in scholarly investigations and published the results in reputable peer-reviewed publications. The candidate will have made a contribution sufficient to be recognized by colleagues in their field in other parts of Canada and in other countries. In cases where the opportunity exists to supervise graduate students, candidates for Professor will have actively pursued these opportunities. Evidence of the ability to obtain adequate research funding will be required if specified in college or department standards.

For tenure (unless tenure is a condition of appointment) and/or promotion, the quality of the candidate's scholarly work will be assessed, using the tenure and promotion standards of the University of Saskatchewan, by at least three senior academics drawn from comparable institutions.

Tenure or Promotion to Associate Professor:
Candidates with 5-10% of their time devoted to scholarly work must demonstrate, in addition to the above: Recognized excellence within the province, established major role in program development and maintenance, consultation and mentoring to other educators and teachers, participation in educational research and original program and course evaluations and significant knowledge translation: reports, presentations, publications. There must also be evidence of an ongoing program of scholarship.

6. **CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OR EXTENSION RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY**

This category describes the candidate's commitment to the collegium and reflects "service" within and outside the university community. Faculty are expected to be actively engaged in the collegial decision-making processes, to participate in administrative work, and are encouraged to be

6. **CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY AND HEALTH REGION**

involved in the activities of academic and professional organizations and, in some colleges, in extension work. Faculty should use good judgment in balancing their activities in this category with those in other categories of assessment.

Candidates for tenure as Assistant Professor are not required to meet any requirements in this category unless such duties are specified on appointment. Candidates for tenure and promotion to higher ranks are required to meet the standard in category 6(a). Meeting the standard in category 6(b) will be a requirement for only certain departments/colleges (as specified in their respective standards) or positions (to be specified on appointment or in an amended letter of appointment).

(a) Administration
Faculty are expected to carry their share of administrative work. Aspects to be evaluated include quality and impact of the candidate's contribution and the amount of time and/or effort involved.

Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor A fair and reasonable contribution to the administrative work of the Department, or College, or University is required.

Tenure as or Promotion to Professor A fair and reasonable contribution to the administrative work of the Department and College or University is required.

(b) Extension
Extension work (outreach and engagement) is defined as extending the University to the community through the provision of a service to the community outside of the University. It is expected that such service will be sponsored or sanctioned by the department and/or college in which the faculty member resides.

In the case of extension specialists and faculty for whom extension is a specific requirement of their position, these activities will usually be evaluated within categories 2 and 5. A candidate must have satisfactorily performed extension duties specified in their letter of appointment. College standards will specify which factors are to be considered and the

a) Administration
All faculty members are expected to carry their fair share of administrative work. The amount of time is determined at the time of appointment and reviewed annually with the Department Head in committee as part of the assignment of duties.

Elements of Academic Programming (AP) Appointments are:
- Documentation of the nature of leadership projects including their duration, the faculty member's leadership role, process of the project, evaluation of the outcomes and financial and human resources utilized
- Documentation of the dissemination of the innovations to the greater educational community

The standards to be met for each rank are as outlined below:

Probationary appointment: Prior to attaining tenure faculty are not expected to have significant administrative responsibilities. During the initial portion of their probationary period faculty are expected only to attend and participate in departmental meetings. Following the renewal of their probationary period faculty may begin to participate as members of other Department, College and Health Region committees, but may not Chair standing committees.

Tenure as Assistant Professor:
Candidates must attend and participate in Department, College and Health Region committees. Evidence should be available to support participation for a rating of meets the standard. Such evidence could include letters from the Committee Chair, Department Head, or senior administration of the College, University or Health Region to the candidate.

Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor:
Candidates must participate in departmental meetings, as well as committees of the Department, College, University or Health Region in order to meet the standard. There must be evidence of leadership at the committee level and systematic evaluations of courses and course methods.

b) Extension
Outreach and community engagement work is defined as extending the University to the community through the provision of a service to the community outside of the University. It is expected that such service will be sponsored or sanctioned by the department and/or college in which the faculty member resides.

Tenure as Assistant Professor:
Candidates must provide evidence of a willingness to participate and demonstrate effective performance in outreach and community engagement. Outreach and community engagement may involve activities of knowledge translation to the non-academic environment.

methods by which information will be gathered and evaluated. Factors to be considered when assessing this category may include: the response of clients/audiences; the number and magnitude of undertakings; requests for services; the value of the contribution to the University; and the impact of the work. Statements from individuals who have personally observed the work performed by the candidate will be provided to review committees.

Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor:
Candidates must provide evidence of a willingness to participate and demonstrate effective performance in outreach and community engagement. Outreach and community engagement may involve activities of knowledge translation to the non-academic environment.

7. **PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

This category describes the candidate's commitment to the broader university community and to the general public. Meeting the standards in this category will be a requirement for only certain colleges and departments (as specified in their respective standards). In such cases, college standards will specify which factors are to be considered and the methods by which information will be gathered and evaluated.

Candidates for tenure as Assistant Professor are not required to meet any requirements in this category unless such duties are specified on appointment.

(a) **Public Service**
Public service is normally defined as the faculty member's provision of expertise to the outside community and will be accorded recognition insofar as the activities entail application of expertise associated with the candidate's position in the university.

(b) **Service to Academic, Professional or Scientific Organizations**
To be recognized within this category, service to academic and/or professional organizations must go beyond membership in an organization and focus on active participation. Such activities might include: service on the committees or executives of academic or professional organizations; service on selection committees for provincial, national or international granting organizations; or service on the editorial board for academic, professional or scientific journals.

7. **PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

Public service is normally defined as the faculty member's provision of expertise to the outside community and will be accorded recognition insofar as the activities entail application of expertise associated with the candidate's position in the university. It is expected that such service will be sponsored or sanctioned by the department and/or college in which the faculty member resides. Service to academic, professional or scientific organizations, to be recognized in this category, must go beyond membership in an organization and focus on active participation.

Service to Academic, Professional or Scientific Organizations
Editorial Activity: Role as scientific publication editor, member of editorial board, and editorial reviewer.

Academic Recognition: Appointment or election to meritorious academic office or membership by peers in clinical practice, inside or outside university.

Accreditation Recognition: Participation in accreditation-related activities at local and national levels, including preparation of college for accreditation processes; participation in accreditation processes elsewhere in Canada, including participation in national accreditation committees.

Tenure as Assistant Professor:
Candidates must provide evidence of a willingness to participate and demonstrate effective performance in public service and/or contributions to academic and professional bodies. Public service might include serving on community, provincial or national boards, committees and organizations, and public presentations. Contributions to academic and professional bodies may include serving on committees of academic or professional bodies, on review panels of granting agencies or on Editorial Boards of academic journals.

Tenure as or Promotion to Associate Professor:
Candidates must provide evidence of participation and demonstrate effective performance in public service and/or contributions to academic and professional bodies. Public service might include serving on community, provincial or national boards, committees and organizations, and public presentations. Contributions to academic and professional bodies may include serving on committees of academic or professional bodies, on review panels of granting agencies or on Editorial Boards of academic journals.

E. PROCESS OF EVALUATION

The Dean, Executive Director or Department Head shall review the University, College and Department Standards with every faculty member as part of the annual review for faculty members who are candidates for promotion and tenure.

Evaluation of faculty for tenure and promotion will take place within a process that is open and accountable. Both the committee chairs and the candidates are expected to share information about the evaluation process and to contribute to the collection of appropriate documentation for the consideration of all committees. Committee chairs are expected to provide opportunities for committee members to

E. PROCESS OF EVALUATION

Candidates may wish to include in their teaching case file written course materials, computer programs, teaching innovations, and evidence of teaching quality (such as teaching awards).

review the documentation, including the statement of rationale, prior to its submission to senior collegial committees.

Departments will consider eligible candidates for tenure and promotion according to their eligibility, unless a request for a deferral has been received. The candidate will confirm with the Department

Head or Dean his/her desire to be considered for tenure or promotion and will supply the documents listed in tenure and promotion case files (identified below).

Tenure and Promotion Case Files: Case files will provide the basic evidence used to assess the candidate's case for tenure or promotion. Case files will include the following items:

1. *Provided by the Candidate:*
   - An up-to-date *curriculum vitae.*
   - A self-assessment of the candidate's progress towards tenure or promotion.
   - Evidence pertaining to teaching, including: a statement of the candidate's philosophy of teaching and an explanation of its application, student and peer evaluations (if provided to the candidate), a record of teaching roles (including time commitments and method of delivery) in undergraduate and graduate courses, teaching and/or supervision of students performing clinical work, undertaking *practica* or other types of field work, and advising and supervising graduate students.
   - Evidence pertaining to research and scholarly work including a statement on the nature of the candidate's research and future research plans, the candidate's contribution to joint publications and research grants, examples of published works, performances, manuscript materials, on the adequacy of the candidate's research funding support (where required in college/department standards), and other relevant evidence for the purposes of establishing research direction and accomplishment.
   - For candidates considered under Category 5 only, evidence pertaining to practice of professional skills including a statement on the nature and scope of the candidate's practice, a discussion of various leadership activities associated with the candidate's role in professional service whether delivered to a professional audience, individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, or the community.
   - Examples of materials pertaining to administration, extension and public service including a statement on the role of the candidate in service to academic and/or professional organizations, on the nature and extent of the candidate's contributions in these areas and statements from individuals (e.g. chairs, other committee members) who have personally observed the work and/or contributions the candidate has performed on committees, or as part of their administrative responsibilities.

2. *Provided by the Department Head or Dean (as committee chair) in addition to the documents listed under item 3 below:*
   - *For departmentalized colleges*: A Statement of Rationale from the college, signed by the Dean as Chair of the College Review Committee, explaining the decision at the college level and including both majority and minority views of committee members. This statement will be made available to committee members for review prior to submission to the senior committees. The statement of rationale must include:
     - An indication of the quality and significance of the candidate's work and how it was assessed
     - An indication of the committee's discussion of the evidence and the relative weighting of this evidence in the overall decision of the committee
     - Where required in the college standards, a statement of the adequacy of

1. Provided by the candidate:
   - a written description of the candidate's current research program or program of scholarship, including sources and amounts of funding for the program
   - a descriptive professional practice dossier which may include a case log, quality care documentation and evidence of excellence in service provision
   - evidence for maintenance of competence
   - annotated documentation of scholarly work linked to their academic practice

2. Provided by the Department Head:
   - The Department Head will request confidential, written evaluations from individuals who are peers of the candidate, or who might be expected, by virtue of their role in professional organizations, to be able to provide an evaluation of the candidate's abilities in clinical practice
   - The professional practice portion of the Case File will contain evaluations by peers, testimonials from professional organizations, and a statement on the nature and scope of the candidate's practice
   - The dossier will also contain a discussion of various leadership activities associated with the candidate's role in professional service to professional groups, organizations, institutions, or the community

research funding support
- o A list of the College Review Committee members
- *For non-departmentalized colleges:* A Statement of Rationale from the college, signed by the Dean as Chair of the College Review Committee, explaining the decision and including both majority and minority views of committee members. This statement will be made available to committee members for review prior to submission to the senior committees. The statement of rationale must include:
  - o An indication of the quality and significance of the candidate's work and how it was assessed
  - o An indication and assessment of the quality of the candidate's teaching
  - o An explanation on how the student and peer evaluations were conducted, a summary of their contents and their interpretation by the college committee, and an indication of the types of courses evaluated
  - o An indication and assessment of the quality of the candidate's research productivity within the context of the discipline including an indication of the quality of journals and other publications
  - o An assessment of the candidate's current and potential program of research and scholarship within the context of the discipline
  - o An assessment of, where required in college standards, the adequacy of research funding support
  - o An explanation of the candidate's role in joint publications, presentations, or research grants, including a statement of confirmation by collaborators.
  - o An indication of the committee's discussion of the evidence and the relative weighting of this evidence in the overall decision of the committee
  - o A list of the College Review Committee members
- *For departments:* A Statement of Rationale from the department, signed by the Department Head as chair of the department committee, explaining the decision at the department level and including both majority and minority views of committee members. This statement will be made available to committee members for review prior to submission to the senior committees. The statement of rationale must include:
  - o An indication of the quality and significance of the candidate's work and how it was assessed
  - o An indication and assessment of the quality of the candidate's teaching
  - o An explanation on how the student and peer evaluations were conducted, a summary of their contents and their interpretation by the department committee, and an indication of the types of courses evaluated
  - o An assessment of the candidate's current and potential program of research and scholarship within the context of the discipline
  - o An assessment of, where required in department standards, the adequacy of research funding support
  - o An indication and assessment of the quality of the candidate's research productivity within the context of the discipline including an indication of the quality of journals and other publications
  - o An explanation of the candidate's role in joint publications, presentations, or research grants, including a statement of confirmation by collaborators
  - o An indication of the committee's discussion of the evidence and the relative weighting of this evidence in the overall decision of the committee
  - o A list of the department committee members

3. *Provided by the Department Head or Dean (as committee chair) in addition to the documents listed under item 2 above relating to the recommendations of the tenure or promotion committee:*
- Forms (T1/P1 and T2/P2).
- A copy of the letter sent by the department (or college in the case of non-departmentalized colleges) to external referees.

Material and documentation considered by Review Committees when evaluating the categories of these Standards are as follows:

Category 1:
- CV

Category 2:
- Teaching Dossier
- Student Evaluations
- Peer Evaluations
- CV
- Candidate's Statement on Philosophy of Teaching

Category 3:
- CV
- Letters of commendation from external organizations
- Candidate's Statement on Knowledge of Discipline

Category 5:
- CV
- Professional Skills Dossier
- Candidate's Statement on Practice of Professional Skills
- Evaluations from External Referees
- Letters from peers addressing the quality of the academic programming practice

Category 6:
- CV
- Administrative Dossier
- Candidate's Statement on Contributions to Administrative Responsibilities

Category 7:
- CV
- Candidate's Statement on Public Service and Contributions to Academic & Professional Bodies

- A list of the persons identified as external referees and shown to the candidate.
- A list of the persons selected as external referees, including a brief description of their areas and accomplishments.
- The letters of evaluation submitted by the external referees with an indication of the role they played in the evaluation process.
- A complete list of persons consulted in the evaluation process (e.g. co-authors, other departments in the case of joint appointments, client organizations).
- In cases of associate memberships, comments on all categories relevant to the duties of the candidate will be solicited by the Dean or Department Head from all units with which a faculty member is associated. Individuals solicited for comments will be provided with copies of the candidate's *curriculum vitae* and supporting documentation. The candidate will be informed that such information has been solicited.
- Any additional documents collected by the college committee, (in addition to those submitted by the department). These are to be identified as additional material available to the College Review Committee (e.g. letters or minority reports from members of the department committee).
- Any other information on the specific case that the University Review Committee should be aware of (e.g. sabbatical and other leaves, academic credentials verification).

In conducting their evaluation, department, college and university-level committees will be able to access progress reports, theses and other information internal to the University.

Senior Academics: For the purposes of external assessment in either Category 4 (Research, Scholarly and/or Artistic Work) or Category 5 (Practice of Professional Skills), a senior academic is a colleague holding an academic or research appointment at a comparable institution. In the case of tenure as Assistant Professor, one of the three senior academics may be at the Associate Professor level; two must be Full Professors or equivalent. In the case of tenure as Associate Professor or Professor, the three senior academics must be Full Professors or equivalent. In the case of promotion to Professor, the three senior academics must be Full Professors or equivalent. For candidates considered under Category 5 (Practice of Professional Skills) only, in some cases identified by the Dean, a non-academic may be appropriate to act as a referee but only one such person will act as a referee in any given case.

External Referees: Processes constructed for the selection of the external referees will ensure that the candidate has an opportunity to put forward names for consideration and to identify potential referees with a perceived personal bias. The University expects that this aspect of the process will be conducted in a fair and open manner and that it will protect the confidentiality of the external reviewers. The University recommends the following process:

- Normally, the Department Head or Dean of a non-departmentalized college will prepare a list of at least six qualified external referees. These external referees will have established national or international reputations in their field and will be able to judge whether the candidate's work is of the required standard. They must be sufficiently 'at arm's length' from the candidate so as to provide an objective assessment of performance; i.e., must not have been the candidate's colleagues, former supervisors (within the past ten years), or co-investigators. The candidate may suggest some names, but the Department Head or Dean (of a non-departmentalized college), in consultation with committee members, should provide at least half of the names on the list. The candidate will be permitted to ask that particular referees be dropped on grounds such as suspected personal prejudice, but may in turn be asked to provide an explanation of why a name should be dropped. When names are dropped, others will be added so that a minimum of five names is available to the Dean. The Dean will approve the final list and a description of the credentials/background of the external referees will be provided to the review committees for information.

Senior Faculty: For the purposes of external assessment in Category 5 (Practice of Professional Skills), a senior faculty member is a tenured colleague holding an academic appointment or a faculty position similar to our Academic Programming (AP) Appointments at a comparable institution and who has made significant contributions to the Practice of Professional Skills as described in the standards for category 5. In the case of tenure as Assistant Professor, one of the three senior faculty members may be at a junior rank appropriate for this class of appointment; two must be at the senior-most academic rank. In the case of tenure as Associate Professor or promotion to Associate Professor, the three senior faculty members must be at the senior-most academic rank appropriate for this class of appointment. In some cases identified by the Department Head or Dean, a non-faculty member may be appropriate to act as a referee but only one such person will act as a referee in any given case.

- The Department Head, or Dean of a non-departmentalized college, will select at least three (usually four) external referees from this list and write letters requesting an assessment of the candidate's research, scholarly and/or artistic work. The candidate will **not** be informed of the referees selected. The letters to external referees should indicate that comments are sought only on the research, scholarly and/or artistic work of the candidate, or in the case of consideration under Category 5 (Practice of Professional Skills), on the professional practice in addition to the research, scholarly or artistic work of the candidate.   External referees should be informed that their reply will be considered *confidential* and will be seen only by the committees and not by the candidate. Enclosed with the letter should be the candidate's *curriculum vitae*, the relevant approved standards, and appropriate sections of the case file including all materials germane to the category of evaluation [either Category 4 (Research and Scholarly Work) or Category 5 (Practice of Professional Skills)].

Part-time Appointments/Reduced Time Appointments. In cases of tenurable part-time appointments or in cases of reduced time appointments, individual letters of appointment will reflect expectations regarding the appropriate timeframe in which to evaluate progress towards both tenure and promotion. Normally such candidates will be provided with extended periods of time in which to meet the standards commensurate with the precise nature of their appointment.

Category of Assessment: The Department Head and/or Dean will determine at the time of appointment, through discussion with the faculty member, whether assigned duties will be evaluated under Category 4 (Research, Scholarly and/or Artistic Work) or Category 5 (Practice of Professional Skills) and this agreement will be included in the letter of offer to the candidate. This determination will remain in effect until written confirmation from the Department Head and/or Dean indicates a change in category because of new or different assigned duties. Any change must be discussed with, and agreed to in writing by, the faculty member and approved by the Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic. All work completed under the original category of assessment will be reassessed under the new category at the time tenure or promotion decisions are made.

Timelines: Determinations at the department, college and university levels should be made in an expeditious fashion, mindful of collegial deadlines, but committee chairs should take the time required to prepare a comprehensive case for the consideration of senior committees.

F.   DEFINITIONS

The University Standards refer specifically to the academic ranks of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor. However, the intent of the standards should also be read as applying to Librarian ranks, as well as Assistant Professors (CDC), Associate Professors (CDC) and Professors (CDC). In the case of the Crop Development Centre (CDC) and clinical faculty in the College of Medicine the appropriate terminology is continuing status.

For clarity of communication in tenure and promotion proceedings throughout the University, the following standard terminology is to be used when assessing a candidate's performance in each of the appropriate categories:
- Does not meet the standard for (promotion or tenure)
- Meets the standard for (promotion or tenure)
- Exceeds the standard for (promotion or tenure) i.e., a superior performance

In most cases it is only necessary to determine whether a candidate meets the standard or not. However, in some cases it will be desirable to identify those who have made an unusually significant contribution and whose performance markedly exceeds the standards for a given rank. For this purpose the term *superior* should be used. The standards to be met, as well as the performance expectation for an assessment of superior, will vary with academic rank; e.g., an assessment of

superior for promotion to professor implies a higher level of performance than for tenure as an assistant professor.[v]	
With reference to scholarly work, the term "published" means having appeared in print or having been accepted for publication. The latter (accepted for publication) means that a decision to publish a manuscript in present form (or with such minor revisions as to not require re-submission and a second review) has been made and communicated in writing to the author.	

[1] This document replaces the standards for promotion and tenure adopted by the University Review Committee February 1989, 2002. It also replaces the preliminary standards adopted by the University Review Committee in June, 2000.

[2] Readers are referred to the University Council *Guidelines for Academic Conduct*, approved in June 1999.

[3] The definition of "senior academic" and the process for solicitation of letters from external referees is described in Section E.

[4] The definition of senior academic and the process for solicitation of letters from external referees is described in Section E. In some cases, identified by the Dean, a non-academic may be appropriate to act as a referee but only one such person will act as a referee in any given case.

[5] In this document, the word "superior" denotes performance in the top quartile of a large group of comparable persons. Approximation to such a norm can only be expected in large groups; e.g., the whole University or a group the size of a large college when evaluating teaching, or persons within the same rank and discipline in Canada when evaluating scholarly work. There is no implication that one-quarter of the faculty in a particular department or small college will be superior in teaching or research and scholarly work. Some units may have a high proportion of faculty with superior performance in a given category and some may have few. Of course, there is no way in which one can actually compare a given individual's teaching with that of all faculty in the University of the candidate's research with that or the candidate's peers across the country in order to determine if they are in the top one-quarter. These illustrations are given solely to clarify the use of the word superior and to suggest the frequency with which it is to be applied in tenure and promotion cases.