

GRADUATE FACULTY APPOINTMENT CRITERIA

Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences

General Policy

The following are policy statements and criteria for membership on the graduate faculty. Faculty members are encouraged to review the University of New Orleans Faculty Handbook and Graduate Coordinators' Handbook for additional information.

Graduate Faculty status may be granted in one of two categories: Associate Graduate Faculty Membership or Full Graduate Faculty Membership. For recommending candidates for degrees, both Full and Associate Members have voting rights.

Associate Membership

Associate Members of the Graduate Faculty are recommended for terms of one, two, or three years. They can serve as Chair of, or as member of graduate thesis or dissertation committees as well as teach graduate courses. Associate Members must hold academic rank at UNO at the assistant professor level or above, either full-time or adjunct. The rank of instructor may be considered for limited duties such as serving as a committee member or teaching graduate level courses. The following criteria must be met for Associate Membership:

- A. Criteria for Serving as a Major Professor for Master or Doctoral Study**
 1. Demonstrated success in teaching college level courses.
 2. Publication of research findings, case studies, survey results, or other scholarly activities in refereed journals or conference proceedings or publication of books, chapters, or monographs in the faculty member's area of professional expertise.
 3. Active engagement in one or more research projects for the immediate six-year period as evidenced by research publications or externally funded grants or contracts.
 4. Commitment to professional development as evidenced by active participation in professional organizations; service as a regular editor for professional publications, as a reviewer of manuscripts or grant proposals, or as a member of professional select committee; community service; or attendance at professional meetings, including presentation of papers or posters accompanied by abstracts with broad circulation.

- B. Criteria for Serving as a Thesis or Dissertation Committee Member**
 1. Demonstrated success in teaching college level courses.
 2. Publication of research findings, case studies, survey results, or other scholarly activities in refereed journals or conference proceedings or publication of books, chapters, or monograph in the faculty member's area of professional expertise.
 3. Regular attendance of state, regional, or national professional meetings during the prior six-year period.

- C. Criteria for Teaching Graduate-Level Courses**
 1. Demonstrated success in teaching college level courses.
 2. Demonstrated commitment to professional development.

Full Membership

Full members of the Graduate Faculty are recommended for six-year terms. Full members can serve as the Chair of, or as a member of graduate thesis or dissertation committees as well as teach advance graduate-level courses.

Requirements for Full Membership

Full Members of the Graduate Faculty must hold a terminal degree in geology, geophysics, or related fields and must be full-time faculty with an academic rank at UNO of associate or full professor with indeterminate tenure. The Full Members must meet all of the criteria for Associate Members in Part A. above, as well as the following:

1. Service on a minimum of three thesis or dissertation committees.
2. Successful direction of a minimum of one thesis or dissertation to completion.
3. Experience teaching graduate-level courses.