UNIVERSITY POLICY
EMERITUS POLICY

POLICY

Number by Division: 2.6

Upon retirement from the university, faculty, administrators, and staff who meet the criteria for selection may be considered for emeritus designation.

Criteria

- A minimum of 10 years of service to Slippery Rock University.
- Demonstrated excellent service to the university, the community, and/or professional discipline. Consideration for emeritus status shall be based upon length of association with, and degree of contribution to his or her department, division or university. Faculty will also have a demonstrated record of teaching and research excellence as judged by their peers.
- In good standing with the University.

Emeriti receive:

- Assigned office space for research, if appropriate and available.
- Assistance with questions related to retirement and health benefits.
- Listing in university catalogs.
- Invitations to participate in commencement, processions, and convocation, as appropriate.
- Participation in appropriate campus seminars, colloquia, lectures, ad hoc committees, and other scholarly pursuits.
- Library privileges
- Parking pass
- ID card

PROCEDURES

The emeritus process must be initiated within the first six months after the candidate’s retirement.

Faculty - Proposals for emeriti designation may be initiated by a Slippery Rock faculty colleague and submitted through the nominee’s departmental chair/supervisor. The nomination, including the candidate’s current vita, will be submitted for evaluation and recommendation to the appropriate Dean/manager and then the Provost. Final approval is granted from the President.

The title of Professor Emeritus may, upon approval of the President, be granted to any person who upon retirement has not attained the title of full professor or not attained the minimum of 10 years of service if it is determined that he or she has made outstanding contributions to the university in either the field of scholarship or service.

Administrators and Staff - Proposals for emeriti designation must be initiated by University colleagues and submitted through the nominee’s immediate supervisor. The proposal, including the candidate’s current resume or work history, will be submitted for evaluation and recommendation to the appropriate Vice President. Final approval is granted by the President.
SANCTIONS

Since the designation is a commendation that reflects upon the dignity of Slippery Rock University, the University reserves the right to withdraw the title, rights, and privileges at any time.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Nominations are made by University colleagues and approved through the appropriate vice president. The president makes the final determination to award emeritus status.

SCOPE OF POLICY COVERAGE

This policy applies to faculty, administrators, and staff who retire in good standing from the University and are nominated for emeritus status by their colleagues. The emeritus privilege is subject to any legal and/or State System and/or university restrictions. Emeritus rank is a privilege and not a right of any retired faculty, administrator, or staff member.

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