

ARTICLE 11

ADMINISTRATIVE EVALUATION OF FACULTY

11.01 Administrative Evaluation of Faculty

It is understood that the primary purpose of evaluation is not to discipline, but to provide the faculty member with the advice, assessments, and opinions of his or her immediate supervisor in order to assist him or her in continuing professional development and performance improvement, although evaluations may be referenced in disciplinary matters. The parties agree that those factors bearing on the faculty member's effective performance of his or her professional duties and responsibilities are of primary importance in the evaluation process. The term "evaluation" as used in this Article refers only to the formal evaluation of a faculty member to be conducted at least once each academic year by his or her immediate supervisor.

For teaching faculty members, the evaluation shall include teaching/job effectiveness which encompasses the immediate supervisor's observations of the faculty member both in class and out of class as well as the results of appropriate items on his or her student perception surveys; professional development/scholarly activity; service to the department, College, discipline, and may include community service; other regular assigned job duties if applicable; progress toward completing the Faculty Development Plan; and, an overall assessment of the faculty member's performance.

Classroom observation dates shall be determined by the immediate supervisor following consultation with the faculty member. Unless agreed upon by the faculty member, the classroom observations will be scheduled during the faculty member's contract year. Within three weeks of any classroom observation, the immediate supervisor will meet with the faculty member to discuss the observation. Any factors which will be noted on the faculty member's annual evaluation will be provided to the faculty member, in writing, within one week of this meeting. The immediate supervisor has the authority and discretion to waive the classroom observation, on a case-by-case basis, for any faculty member who has achieved the rank of Professor.

Classroom visitations or observations shall not be used for harassment and shall be conducted with due regard to the courteous treatment of faculty members and students. However, the College reserves the right to make additional, unscheduled classroom visitations or observations.

For librarian and counseling faculty members, the evaluation shall include job effectiveness which encompasses teaching effectiveness if teaching is part of the job, the immediate supervisor's observations of the faculty member's job

effectiveness, and the results of appropriate items on student perception surveys or client satisfaction surveys; professional development/scholarly activity; service to the department, College, discipline; and may include community service; other regular assigned job duties if applicable; progress on completing the Faculty Development Plan; and an overall assessment of the faculty member's performance.

At the annual evaluation conference, each faculty member and his or her immediate supervisor shall meet to review and discuss items relevant to the faculty member's performance covering the academic as well as the planning year. The substance of the evaluation conference follows the format provided in Appendix J. Each faculty member is encouraged to perform a self-evaluation and present it to his or her immediate supervisor before or during the annual evaluation conference. The supervisor will accept and consider such self-evaluations when put in writing.

Within two weeks of the annual evaluation conference, the immediate supervisor will provide a copy of the written evaluation to the faculty member. The faculty member will sign the evaluation, indicating that he or she has received a copy, but not necessarily that he or she agrees with the contents. The written evaluation shall be placed in the faculty member's privacy file in the Human Resources Office. The faculty member may submit a written statement for attachment to the evaluation form. The annual evaluation process will be completed no later than the mid-term of the fall semester of the following academic year for which the evaluation is being conducted.

The College shall, at its discretion, assist the faculty member in improving any deficiencies identified in the evaluation; the expenditure of time and resources for this purpose shall remain a matter of administrative discretion. However, any such assistance does not entitle the faculty member to continued employment at the College.

Any faculty member who has been given an evaluation which he or she believes does not accurately reflect the quality of his or her performance shall have the right to request and shall, upon such request, be granted a re-evaluation by another appropriate administrator designated by the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

11.02 Student Feedback on the Classroom Learning Process and Environment

The College retains the right to collect student feedback on the classroom learning process and environment during the semester. Though student perception surveys in the Fall semester include all faculty members, student perception surveys in the Spring semester are usually limited to classes taught by annual contract faculty members. However, sections taught by other faculty members may be included

either at their own request or their immediate supervisor's request. Although the surveys are designed primarily for the improvement of teaching and learning and a faculty member's self-improvement, the results may be used by the College in support of personnel decisions.