EXAMPLES OF EVIDENCE OF ACHIEVEMENT - PROFESSIONAL-TRACK FACULTY

PROFESSOR TITLE SERIES

Revised December 2023

Professional-Track faculty in the Professor Title Series require evaluation in their designated Area of Excellence and of their additional contributions to the academic enterprise that do not fall under their designated Area of Excellence. Promotion requires a formal review of the candidate’s record of contributions and achievements during the requisite time in rank.

Faculty appointed to the Professor title series are expected to play an active and sustained key role in a program of scholarship in an area of expertise, which includes traditional outputs of scholarship (e.g., peer-reviewed publications) in the designated Area of Excellence and garners a reputation beyond the University. This is in contrast to the Clinical Professor title series, in which faculty are expected to demonstrate active participation in the academic mission of Dell Medical School and active engagement in scholarly activities that derive from and support clinical, teaching, and/or professional service activities. Scholarship in the Clinical Professor title series is defined broadly and peer-reviewed publications are not required.

Evidence of clinical expertise is required of all faculty engaged in clinical care, either as the designated Area of Excellence or as a part of additional contributions to the academic enterprise. Clinical expertise-related activities are reviewed only for faculty who provide clinical services.

Evidence of academic and professional service is required of all faculty and those academic and professional service activities that don’t fall under the designated Area of Excellence are included as a part of additional contributions to the academic enterprise.

Geographic reputation of promotion candidates is evaluated in part by the geographic reach of activities. The distinction between local, regional, state, national, or international activities (e.g., invited talks, abstract presentations) is based on the geographic scope of the institution/organization that hosted/arranged the activity or event and not on the geographic scope of the audience or attendees. Region refers to the region of the US, not region within the state. For example, an invited talk at a meeting hosted by a regional organization (e.g., Southwest US) that attracts a national audience is considered a regional invited talk, not a national invited talk.

In the following sections, the examples of evidence of achievement provided for promotion to given ranks by Area of Excellence are neither comprehensive nor prescriptive but are meant to serve as examples of the levels of some common achievements that go beyond the service duties of a faculty member to
those within or outside the University and that their results can be shared with, applied, and/or evaluated by peers. Candidates may report other achievements not specified in the guidelines.

**CLINICAL EXPERTISE**

**CLINICAL EXPERTISE:** Enable the delivery and measurement of excellent health care, with a focus on quality, health equity, population and/or public health, value and/or innovation.

**Promotion to Associate Professor:** In general, promotion to Associate Professor requires 7 years in rank as Assistant Professor or outstanding achievement with extraordinary reasons for early promotion before 7 years. Developing peer recognition reflected by an emerging regional (i.e., Southwest US) or statewide reputation as a major contributor in the field is expected, with evidence as well as recognition as an expert and demonstration of scholarship related to an area of expertise. Must have evidence of contributions to clinical practice and/or health policies that advance the quality and/or value of patient outcomes and/or population health. Promotion requires a formal review of the candidate’s record of contributions and achievements during the requisite time in rank. An important aspect of the portfolio of activities is trajectory, which is supported by evidence that the impact of activities is increasing over time.

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• Creates and launches effective clinical quality improvement programs with regional or statewide adoption including protocols for clinical care.  
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Research that has garnered an emerging regional or statewide reputation on*
- Programs, policies, and practices aimed at improving health and well-being, including health equity.
- Alignment of systems within the health care enterprise (e.g., shared governance models, data exchange and integration, payment models, etc.).
- Policies, laws, and other public and private sector levers aimed at improving health and well-being, including health equity.
- Service on invited or elected regional or statewide community organizations, committees, boards, NGOs, professional organizations, and/or governing bodies.
- External recognition at the regional or statewide level by community groups, professional societies, advisory committees, or other non-traditional organizations devoted to improving community or public health.
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• Assumes leadership roles in professional organizations.  
• Demonstrates leadership and participation in regional, statewide and sometimes national organizations, programs and committees.  
• Demonstrates major contributions to administrative department, institution and/or community that contribute to the greater good of Dell Med or UT Health Austin, i.e. development of internal practice guidelines, quality and/or safety activities and compliance and/or resource utilization that peers outside of the institution have recognized for their value.  
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(*Sustained regional (i.e., Southwest US) or statewide reputation and emerging national reputation as a clinical expert as evidenced by reputation, quality metrics and referrals.*) | • Demonstrates clinical excellence through outside referrals, quality metrics, peer review, outcome measures, patient satisfaction indices, etc.  
• Serves as a consultant to outside entities on issues related to area of clinical expertise.  
• Shows evidence of referrals from regional, statewide and sometimes national sources as appropriate for specialty.  
• Demonstrates other evidence and measures, which may include service on regional, statewide and sometimes national guideline setting panels.  
• Develops and disseminates new approaches in innovation and adaptation of clinical methods that peers have recognized.  
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(Exemplary scholarly contributions to community service, community engagement, and/or community health related to training, mentoring or curricular development)

| • Research that garners an emerging regional or statewide reputation that sits at the intersection of education and*:
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  |   • Policies, laws, and other public and private sector levers aimed at improving health and well-being, including health equity. |
  |   • Scholarship at the intersection of education and community-based program development and policy (i.e. regional or statewide invitations to speak, publications in lay or professional media, peer-reviewed journals, press releases, other media, etc.) |
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• Educational research projects resulting in findings disseminated at professional conferences and/or in peer-reviewed publications.  
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INVESTIGATION AND INQUIRY

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- Demonstrated success obtaining competitive external funding to support their research as a co-Investigator or PI, and a strong likelihood of sustained funding at that level.

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