

University Faculty Senate
Programs and Awards Committee
176th Plenary
SUNY Canton
April 22, 2017

Resolution on the Nomination and Selection Process for Distinguished Professorships

Whereas the four Distinguished Professor ranks constitute the highest system tribute conferred upon SUNY faculty; and

Whereas in the spirit of shared governance, the nominations process will be enriched by faculty and student participation in the nomination and selection process for all four Distinguished Professorships; and

Whereas the four Distinguished Professorship ranks constitute similar levels of achievement and prestige, so they should have similar nomination and selection processes; therefore

Be it Resolved that the University Faculty Senate recommends that the criteria for nominations for all four Distinguished Professor ranks should read: “should arise from faculty members and/or students and/or administrators”; and

Be it Further Resolved that the University Faculty Senate recommends that a Local Selection Committee for Distinguished Professor be specified in the nomination criteria to “include faculty who have considerable seniority and have demonstrated excellence in scholarship and/or creative activity”; and

Be It Further Resolved that the University Faculty Senate supports other changes to the Policies and Procedures for Distinguished Faculty Ranks that are recommended by the Programs and Awards Committees.

Note: These resolutions would amend policies currently on pp. 9 and 10 of “Policies and Procedures, Academic Years 2015-16 and 2016-17, Distinguished Faculty Ranks” for the 2017-2019 cycle.

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