

Chapter 3: Part II

ARTICLE VII. Endowed Professorships ~~and other Chairs~~*

An ~~senior~~, endowed ~~chair professorship~~ for a tenured full professor is designed to recognize eminence in a given field, primarily through demonstrated scholarship and excellence in teaching. When the Board of Trustees is advised to bestow an ~~endowed professorship chair~~, it is on the premise that the individual has earned a national reputation for scholarly distinction in his or her field and shares that expertise in his or her teaching. Such a professorship signifies to the external as well as internal academic community the highest standards for scholarship and teaching the school has to offer.

Appointments to endowed professorships for tenure-track faculty at the rank of assistant professor or associate professor are intended to recognize exceptional faculty potential and merit and to add special strength to particular areas of teaching and research.

In special circumstances, when requested by the donor or permitted by the terms of the endowment agreement, non-tenure track faculty may be appointed to an endowed professorship to recognize eminence in a given field.

There are occasions when appointments to ~~senior-endowed professional chairs professorships~~ are coterminous with administrative appointments. The criterion of scholarship continues to hold in such cases but may be interpreted more flexibly. ~~Appointments to endowed chairs at assistant professor and associate professor levels are of a specified duration. Endowed chairs at the full professor level may be of a specified duration. These Junior-endowed professorship appointments are intended to recognize exceptional faculty potential and merit and to add special strength to particular areas of teaching and research.~~

Appointments to endowed professorships are of a specified duration, unless the terms of the endowment state otherwise.

Appointments to visiting ~~chairs professorships~~ may be at any faculty rank and do not lead to tenure consideration.

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