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TENURE, PROMOTION GUIDELINES

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DEPARTMENT of MODERN and CLASSICAL LANGUAGES

Personnel Guidelines and Governance Document

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I. Philosophy

The Department of Modern and Classical Languages (MCL) is committed to the equitable evaluation of each candidate for reappointment, promotion and tenure, and/or merit pay, consistent with the highest professional standards of faculty activities. Every application will be accorded due attention to its merits, both general and discipline-appropriate. Since MCL regards the nurturing and development of faculty to be among its highest priorities, mentoring assistance is offered to all MCL faculty members.

The Department recognizes that while its overall profile must present a balanced picture of teaching, scholarship, and service, MCL faculty members may play different roles to ensure the fulfillment of the departmental mission, and their roles are likely to change over time. Administrative duties and other special assignments are therefore valid activities for which due credit should be given in the adjudication of tenure, promotion, and annual reappointment applications.

Structure and procedures established in the *College of Arts and Letters Promotion and Tenure Guidelines* and consistent with criteria affirmed by the Missouri State University *Faculty Handbook* assure that faculty seeking tenure, promotion, or annual reappointment will understand what they must do and when they must do it in order to be recommended by their colleagues for the personnel action they seek. Moreover, the structures and procedures assure that decisions will be based on appropriate, properly documented criteria judged not just for quantity but for quality according to standards established and applied within their disciplines. These criteria will be communicated to the applicants and to all parties responsible for making recommendations regarding the application.

The guidelines contained in this document pertain only to MCL full-time ranked faculty, instructors, senior instructors, and administrators. For policies relating to other faculty categories (per-course, visiting, emeritus, etc.), see *Faculty Handbook* 3.5.3-3.6.3.

For all purposes outlined in these guidelines, the definitions of the terms Teaching, Research, and Service are intended to be consistent with those provided in *Faculty Handbook* 4.2.1, 4.2.2, and 4.2.3, respectively.

II. The MCL Personnel Committee

The MCL Personnel Committee consists of all tenured faculty members in the department, except for the Department Head (see *Faculty Handbook* 4.8.3). The Personnel Committee Chair is elected to a three-year term by a majority vote of the Personnel Committee, and may be re-elected to consecutive terms. The Personnel Committee evaluates and makes recommendations to the Department Head on reappointment, tenure, and promotion applications submitted by faculty members.

Meetings of the Personnel Committee are called by the Personnel Committee Chair. Attendance at, and participation in, Personnel Committee meetings is an important faculty duty. The Personnel Committee Chair also has the option (in cases such as emeritus status decisions or sixth-year reappointments, where unanimous approval seems likely) of holding a vote via Email. If, however, any member of the Personnel Committee expresses a preference for a formal meeting, the Personnel Committee Chair will schedule a meeting at once. In special cases (such as family emergency or for medical reasons) proxy ballots, accompanied by probative reason therefor, may be accepted.

III. Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Procedures for Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty

56 The following constitute the general application and review for all MCL faculty applying for reappointment, tenure,
57 and promotion:
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- 59 • The MCL Personnel Committee Chair, in consultation with the MCL Department Head, specifies deadline
60 dates for submission of reappointment (Progress toward Tenure and Promotion), tenure, and promotion
61 dossiers to the MCL Personnel Committee consistent with the University's Academic Work Calendar (see
62 *Faculty Handbook* 4.6).
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- 64 • The applicant submits a dossier in the format specified by the Office of the Provost and the *College of Arts*
65 *and Letters Promotion and Tenure Guidelines*.
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- 67 • The MCL Personnel Committee review the dossier and forwards its recommendations regarding
68 reappointment, tenure, and promotion to the Department Head at a deadline date specified by the
69 Department Head. Applications for promotion will be assessed, discussed, and voted on only by Personnel
70 Committee members of (or superior to) the rank to which the candidate is applying. If the Personnel
71 Committee's vote is not unanimous, those who dissent may offer a minority report (see *Faculty Handbook*
72 4.8.3).
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- 74 • The Department Head reviews the dossier and makes an independent evaluation and forwards his/her
75 recommendation, along with that of the Personnel Committee, to the Dean by the specified University
76 Deadline. In cases where the Department Head's recommendation differs from that of the Personnel
77 Committee, s/he will provide the Personnel Committee and the faculty member affected with a letter
78 explaining his/her compelling reasons for disagreeing.
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- 80 • Each level of review has access to the dossiers and the written recommendations made at prior levels and
81 in previous years at the University. The faculty member receives the written recommendations produced at
82 each level of review. A negative recommendation from the Personnel Committee and/or the Department
83 Head and/or the College Dean does not oblige the faculty member to withdraw his/her application.
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85 **Dossier Guidelines and Requirements**

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87 Whether applying for reappointment, tenure, or promotion, applicants must prepare their dossiers in accordance
88 with the format specified by the Office of the Provost and the *College of Arts and Letters Promotion and Tenure*
89 *Guidelines*.
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91 MCL faculty members cannot assume that individuals or groups evaluating their dossiers are familiar with the
92 traditions of the discipline from which they come. After the dossier leaves the MCL department, those who review
93 the applications may know nothing about the faculty member's particular discipline. Therefore, it is important that
94 faculty members make it easy for others to review their dossiers and to understand the relevance of the materials
95 included within them. Materials do not speak for themselves; MCL faculty members are expected to interpret their
96 materials and make clear arguments describing the relevance and the significance of the materials. The dossiers
97 for personnel decisions must be thoughtful compilations of materials that clearly reflect sufficient output of high
98 quality work in the appropriate areas of professional evaluation. They should not be laundry lists of
99 accomplishments, with fillers included simply to take up space.
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101 Each applicant for tenure and promotion must provide at least two (three are preferred) external letters of
102 evaluation. "External" means "external to Missouri State University," not "external to MCL." Consistent with the
103 procedure stipulated in the *College of Arts and Letters Promotion and Tenure Guidelines*, the MCL Department
104 Head, in consultation with the MCL Personnel Committee and the candidate, selects the potential external
105 reviewers and request the letters. These external letters of evaluation will not make a recommendation about
106 whether the dossier merits tenure or promotion at their institutions; instead, they provide assessments of the
107 applicant's scholarship.
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109 Although tenure and promotion are decided separately, the same dossier may be submitted in support of each
110 action. A single letter of application will suffice for both actions; however, the letter should state clearly the
111 action(s) for which the faculty member is applying.
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113 **IV. Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Criteria for Tenure-Track and Tenured Faculty**

115 **Annual Reappointment: Criteria and Expectations**

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117 Probationary faculty (faculty members under consideration for tenure and/or promotion to Associate Professor) are
118 responsible for demonstrating sustained proficiency in teaching, research and service. Throughout the
119 probationary period, the tenure-track faculty member is expected to demonstrate consistent and marked progress
120 toward meeting the requirements for tenure and promotion to Associate Professor. Absence of satisfactory
121 progress can be grounds for non-renewal. For details, see also *Faculty Handbook* 4.6.1 and 4.6.3.
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123 Probationary faculty are subject to “annual review,” as described in *Faculty Handbook* 4.6.1. At the same time as
124 the Annual Performance Review (see Section VI) occurs, probationary faculty will also submit to the Personnel
125 Committee Chair a Progress toward Tenure dossier containing an up-to-date curriculum vitae, copies of all
126 previous personnel letters, an updated progress toward tenure matrix (indexed to departmental criteria for tenure
127 and promotion), and any relevant artifacts demonstrating how the candidate continues to make progress toward
128 tenure. The entire Personnel Committee reviews this dossier and provides a summary assessment in a
129 Cumulative Progress Report, which is forwarded to the Department Head. The Department Head also reviews
130 each probationary faculty member’s Progress toward Tenure dossier and drafts a Cumulative Progress Report.
131 Both reports are added to the candidate’s dossier, which is forwarded to the dean of the College of Arts and
132 Letters.
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134 **Promotion from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and Tenure: Criteria and Expectations**

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136 Minimum eligibility to apply is set by *Faculty Handbook* 3.3.1. For details, see also *Faculty Handbook* 4.6.4.
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138 **Tenure**

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140 Because tenure establishes a long-term mutual commitment between a faculty member and the University, the
141 Personnel Committee’s tenure recommendation must be based not only upon professional achievement but on
142 promise of continued development as a teacher, scholar, and servant of the University community. The faculty
143 member must show active and productive engagement in teaching, research, and service over the probationary
144 period, and demonstrate a commitment to continued professional growth through the years to come. For details,
145 see *Faculty Handbook* 3.7.2.
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147 Candidates for promotion from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and for tenure are evaluated on the
148 basis of the following criteria:
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- 150 • **Teaching:** In order to document a sustained record of effective teaching, dossiers must include
151 summaries of student evaluations, peer observation letters from at least two-thirds of the department’s
152 tenured faculty, and other evidence of effective teaching and involvement in teaching-related professional
153 development. Peer observation from other full-time faculty may also be included. All peer observation
154 letters requested must be included, and two-thirds of such peer observation letters must be positive. Other
155 evidence of effective teaching and involvement in teaching-related professional development may include
156 teaching awards, funded teaching-related grants, presentations at teaching conferences, completion of
157 significant teaching-related trainings or certifications, evidence of student success, and direct involvement
158 in curricular development.
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- 160 • **Research:** There should be sustained high achievement in the area of research. Candidates must publish
161 at least three (3) original, substantive, peer-reviewed publications (journal articles, book chapters, etc.)
162 during the probationary period to be eligible for Promotion to Associate Professor and Tenure. Publication
163 of an original, substantive, peer-reviewed scholarly monograph or textbook also satisfies the research
164 requirement. A funded external research grant proposal counts as the equivalent of one peer-reviewed
165 article.
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- 167 • **Service:** Service should demonstrate interest and activity in the affairs and concerns of the university at
168 several levels, i.e. section, department, college, and university. Discipline-related outreach and service to
169 the public or broader community and/or to the profession are also encouraged and recognized. While not
170 all probationary faculty will be able to serve at multiple levels, applicants must document a sustained
171 record of meaningful committee service and other university service involvement. Evidence of service
172 contributions may include statements summarizing the candidate’s activities, acknowledgements from

173 colleagues, and other forms of documentation. In general, quality of service will take priority over raw
174 quantity of service.
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176 **Early Tenure and Promotion to Associate Professor**

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178 Faculty who meet the service criteria and significantly exceed the teaching and research criteria set forth above
179 prior to the sixth year of their probationary period (or the application deadline specified in their initial appointment
180 letter) may, upon securing approval from the Department Personnel Committee Chair and the Department Head,
181 apply for early Tenure and Promotion (see *Faculty Handbook* 3.3.1 and 4.8.5). Examples of exceptional teaching
182 accomplishments beyond the minimum criteria which constitute eligibility for early tenure and promotion include
183 evidence of sustained excellence in teaching; teaching awards at the college or university level; external
184 recognitions of teaching accomplishments from state, regional, or national organizations; or major curricular
185 initiatives (e.g. successful new program proposals). Exceptional research accomplishments beyond the minimum
186 criteria which constitute eligibility for early tenure and promotion include publishing a scholarly monograph or
187 publishing an additional peer-reviewed article or book chapter, bringing the total to at least four publications
188 (including at least one in a top-tier indexed journal).
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190 **Promotion from Associate Professor to Professor: Criteria and Expectations**

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192 Minimum eligibility to apply is set by *Faculty Handbook* 3.3.2. For details, see also *Faculty Handbook* 4.6.5. The
193 rank of Professor is awarded in recognition of substantial contribution beyond the standard for Associate Professor
194 in the areas of teaching, research and service. A tenured faculty member may request, one to two years before
195 application for promotion to Professor, a pre-promotion review, as described in *Faculty Handbook* 4.6.5.1.
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197 Candidates for promotion from Associate Professor to Professor are evaluated on the basis of the following
198 criteria:
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- 200 • **Teaching:** In order to document a sustained record of effective teaching, dossiers must include
201 summaries of student evaluations, peer observation letters from at least half of the department's faculty at
202 the full professor rank, and other evidence of effective teaching and involvement in teaching-related
203 professional development. Peer observation letters from other full-time faculty may also be included. All
204 peer observation letters requested must be included, and two-thirds of such peer observation letters must
205 be positive. Other evidence of effective teaching and involvement in teaching-related professional
206 development may include teaching awards, funded teaching-related grants, presentations at teaching
207 conferences, completion of significant teaching-related trainings or certifications, evidence of student
208 success, and direct involvement in curricular development.
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- 210 • **Research:** There should be sustained high achievement in the area of research. Candidates must publish
211 at least three (3) original, substantive, peer-reviewed publications (journal articles, book chapters, etc.)
212 after achieving the rank of Associate Professor to be eligible for Promotion to Full Professor. Publication of
213 an original, substantive, peer-reviewed scholarly monograph or textbook also satisfies this research
214 requirement. A funded external research grant proposal counts as the equivalent of one peer-reviewed
215 article.
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- 217 • **Service:** Service should demonstrate interest and activity in the affairs and concerns of the university at
218 several levels, i.e. section, department, college, and university, including positions of leadership or
219 significant responsibility. Discipline-related service to the public or broader community and/or to the
220 profession is also expected. Applicants must document sustained service commitments and meaningful
221 contributions, including in leadership positions or in other positions of significant responsibility, in various
222 university contexts, as well as involvement in service to the community and/or to the profession. Evidence
223 of such involvement may include statements summarizing the candidate's activities, acknowledgements
224 from colleagues, and other forms of documentation. In general, quality of service will take priority over raw
225 quantity of service.
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227 **V. Reappointment and Promotion Procedures and Criteria for Non-Tenure Track Faculty (Instructors)**

228 **Reappointment**

231 As indicated in *Faculty Handbook* 3.5.1 and 3.5.2, non-tenure track full-time faculty (Instructors and Senior
232 Instructors) are appointed to terms ranging from one to five years and are reappointed at the end of each term.
233 The decision to reappoint non-tenure track faculty is a Department Head prerogative and is generally made on the
234 basis of the annual performance review process describe in Section VI below. In addition to satisfactory
235 performance, reappointment of Instructors and Senior Instructors is contingent upon instructional needs within the
236 department and the availability of funding.

237 238 **Promotion from Instructor to Senior Instructor: Criteria and Expectations** 239

240 Although promotion from Instructor to Senior Instructor is distinctly not a contractual promise, eligible non-tenure
241 track faculty members may apply for this promotion. Minimum eligibility to apply is set by *Faculty Handbook* 3.5.2.
242 Each applicant for promotion to Senior Instructor shall submit his or her dossier in the format specified by the
243 Office of the Provost and the *College of Arts and Letters Promotion and Tenure Guidelines*.

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245 Candidates for promotion from Instructor to Senior Instructor are evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:
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- 247 • **Teaching:** Evidence of effective teaching must be reflected in summaries of student evaluations, at least
248 five peer observation letters from MCL colleagues, and other evidence of effective teaching and
249 involvement in teaching-related professional development. Other evidence of effective teaching and
250 involvement in teaching-related professional development may include teaching awards, funded teaching-
251 related grants, presentations at teaching conferences, completion of significant teaching-related trainings
252 or certifications, evidence of student success, and direct involvement in curricular development.
- 253 • **Research:** While not specifically listed, disciplinary research related to the University, College, and/or
254 departmental missions may be counted toward promotion to Senior Instructor.
- 255 • **Service:** Service should demonstrate interest and activity in the affairs and concerns of the university at
256 several levels. Curriculum development and advising are two particularly appropriate concerns, but others,
257 including discipline-related service to the community and/or the profession, will be considered. In general,
258 quality of service will take priority over raw quantity of service.

259 260 261 262 **VI. Annual Performance Review and Performance Pay Procedures and Criteria** 263

264 All full-time faculty, tenured and non-tenured alike, participate in an annual performance review (see *Faculty*
265 *Handbook* 4.6.6). This annual evaluation process is entirely separate from the reappointment/promotion/tenure
266 process described in Sections III and IV of this document. Annual performance review results are also used to
267 determine eligibility for performance pay in those years where a sufficient raise pool has been identified by the
268 University.

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270 The MCL Department procedures and criteria for annual performance review and (when applicable) for
271 determining performance pay eligibility are consistent with the guidelines in the *Faculty Handbook* and the *College*
272 *of Arts and Letters Promotion and Tenure Guidelines*. They are also consistent with the guidelines and criteria
273 specified by the MCL Promotion and Tenure guidelines, as specified in this document.

274 275 **Submission and Evaluation of Materials** 276

- 277 • Using the APR report form provided by the Department Head, each faculty member will submit a brief
278 summary of activities, including a self-assigned ranking of 0 through 5 (with 0 the lowest) for each of the
279 three areas listed below. The self-assigned rankings may include .5 scores (e.g., 5.0, 4.5, 4.0, etc.) and
280 must include a rationale for each self-assigned ranking.
- 281 • A complete but succinct report of all relevant activities is usually sufficient. However, faculty members
282 may, at their discretion, supplement the form with narrative explanations and/or artifacts in support of
283 specific accomplishments.
- 284 • Accomplishments in Research should be documented in Digital Measures, and a recent Digital Measures
285 report should accompany the form.

286 287 288 289 **Evaluation of APR and Performance Pay Materials**

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- The Department Head reviews the APR form and any supporting materials and rates each faculty member's performance in each relevant performance category (Teaching, Research and/or Service). The Department Head's recommendations may include .5 scores (e.g., 5.0, 4.5, 4.0, etc.). These ratings are multiplied by each faculty member's agreed-upon category weights to generate a weighted composite score.
- Appeal of numerical ratings: If a faculty member wishes to dispute a numerical rating, he or she first appeals directly to the Department Head. If the dispute is not resolved, a panel of three faculty members selected by the Department Head will independently review the faculty member's performance in the disputed category and assess a rating. The higher rating will stand and is not subject to further review.
- The Department Head writes a performance review letter for each faculty member. Performance review letters reference all numerical ratings and include brief rationales. Letters may also include notes relating to workload considerations for the year under evaluation and following academic or calendar years. (Because they receive Cumulative Progress Reports from the Personnel Committee and Department Head, probationary faculty do not also receive separate performance review letters.)
- All faculty receive copies of their performance review letters or Cumulative Progress Reports for review and signature. Signatures indicate that faculty have received and read their evaluations; they do not imply agreement.
- Copies of all evaluations are forwarded to the dean of the College of Arts and Letters.
- After reviewing their performance reviews, faculty may meet with the Department Head to review their performance and/or to discuss workload considerations. Although these meetings are usually optional for tenured faculty, the Department Head meets annually with tenure-track faculty and may schedule mandatory performance review meetings at his or her discretion.

Annual Performance Review and Performance Pay Accomplishments/Evaluation Criteria

Teaching

The following are examples of Teaching accomplishments or Teaching performance evaluation criteria (in roughly descending order of value toward merit pay):

- Prestigious teaching award (granted by university or external body)
- Presenting evidence of excellent teaching (student evaluations, peer evaluations)
- Teaching large numbers of students (generating substantial credit hour production)
- Using of assessment data to improve course design and/or instructional methods
- Proposing grants related to improvement of teaching and learning
- Making presentations at pedagogy-focused conferences
- Participating in professional development conferences, meetings, or training/certification programs
- Proposing significant curricular development (new program proposal, major program revisions, etc.)
- Supervising teacher certification candidates (student teaching, other practice)
- Organizing and overseeing a language program abroad
- Teaching upper-level courses on a regular basis
- Directing independent studies, Service Learning components, or internships
- Gaining or maintaining Master Advisor status
- Advising graduate or undergraduate students

Research

The following are examples of Research accomplishments or Research performance evaluation criteria (in roughly descending order of value toward merit pay):

- Prestigious research award (granted by university or external body)
- Publication of an original, peer-reviewed scholarly book

- 348 • Publication of a peer-reviewed scholarly anthology (edited volume)
- 349 • Publication of more than one original, peer-reviewed scholarly article
- 350 • Publication of an original, peer-reviewed scholarly article
- 351 • Publication of a chapter in a peer-reviewed book, anthology of articles, or other scholarly resource
- 352 • Receiving an external research grant or fellowship
- 353 • Publication of a scholarly translation in a peer-reviewed venue
- 354 • Publication of a book review and/or film review
- 355 • Receiving an internal research grant or fellowship
- 356 • Presentation of an original peer-reviewed scholarly paper at a national or international convention
- 357 • Presentation of an original peer-reviewed scholarly paper at a regional or state convention

358 **Service**

359 The following are examples of Service accomplishments or Service performance evaluation criteria (in roughly
360 descending order of value toward merit pay):

- 361 • Prestigious service award (granted by university or external body)
- 362 • Editing a scholarly journal or reviewing manuscripts for journals
- 363 • Leadership role in professional organization (national, regional, state, or local)
- 364 • Serving the department, college, or university in an administrative function or position
- 365 • Completion of a report/review for accreditation
- 366 • Leadership role on responsible college or university committees
- 367 • Leadership role on department committee
- 368 • Service on a department committee
- 369 • Directing student language clubs and activities (including film festivals and reading groups)
- 370 • Sponsoring a student organization/association (related or not to the discipline)
- 371 • Making discipline-related presentations to the community

372 **VII. Mentoring Policy for All MCL Faculty**

373 All MCL faculty, regardless of rank and/or tenure status, have the right to receive mentoring as they work toward
374 achieving their professional goals. The mentoring of candidates for tenure and/or promotion is of particular
375 importance, but more established faculty may well benefit from mentoring in fields such as (strictly for example)
376 curriculum development, instructional technology, or acquiring a new scholarly specialty.

377 As long experience clearly indicates, no single mentoring procedure or format can adequately serve a diverse
378 group of faculty members. Therefore, each new faculty member will meet, early in his or her first semester of
379 employment, with the Department Head and the Personnel Committee Chair to develop and begin implementing
380 an appropriate, individualized mentoring program. The new faculty member may also request that a member from
381 his or her language section be involved in developing the mentoring program. It is expected that such a program
382 will involve both group-based (for example, Showcase on Teaching and various University/College workshops)
383 and individual (for example, face-to-face discussion with departmental colleagues) mentoring opportunities.

384 Other faculty members interested in receiving formal mentoring for any purpose at any time are welcome to initiate
385 this process with the Department Head, the Personnel Committee Chair, or both.

386 **VIII. Departmental Governance**

387 This section of the document supersedes all previous stand-alone “Departmental Governance” documents.

388 **Department Head**

389 The primary duties of the MCL Department Head are clearly spelled out in *Faculty Handbook* 1.4.1.2.6 and Op. 3.1
390 of the Policy Library. The Department Head is also responsible for appointing MCL departmental committees and
391 MCL departmental representatives as necessary. The Department Head is also responsible for arranging
392 elections, such as those for Faculty Senate Representative, College Council Representative, and Personnel
393 Committee Chair.

406 **Personnel Committee**

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408 The structure and function of the MCL Personnel Committee is treated in Section II of this document. The
409 Personnel Committee will also be charged with reviewing this document at the end of each academic year and
410 recommending to the Department Head any necessary changes.

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412 **Section Coordinators**

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414 The Department Head designates one senior member of each section (Asian Languages, Classics, French,
415 German, and Spanish) to serve in the role of Section Coordinator. Section Coordinators do not receive additional
416 direct compensation. However, their contributions to departmental leadership are recognized as significant service
417 to the department for purposes relating to faculty evaluation (including tenure and promotion review, as
418 applicable). Consistent with the department's Workload Policy, Section Coordinators may be eligible for course
419 releases or other forms of additional compensation because of an unusually high volume of work in a particular
420 semester or after several semesters of service.

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422 The responsibilities of Section Coordinators include and are generally limited to:

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- 424 • Assisting the Department Head and the administrative assistant with the scheduling of section teaching
425 assignments
- 426 • Hiring per-course instructors to teach courses for their sections
- 427 • Calling and presiding over section meetings (to discuss general section business, curricular changes,
428 textbook adoptions, assessment, etc.)
- 429 • Providing input on and reviewing policies pertinent to their sections
- 430 • Helping with advising issues in special cases
- 431 • Helping to disseminate information from the Department Head
- 432 • Collecting input/feedback from section members as requested by the Department Head

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434 While Section Coordinators provide an important service to their sections and to the department as a whole in
435 assisting the Department Head in these ways, they are not administrators and do not have authority in excess of
436 their fellow section members. Any concerns that arise between a Section Coordinator and one or more section
437 members (or vice versa) should be communicated to the Department Head, who will work with all parties
438 concerned to resolve the situation.

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440 At the Department Head's discretion, Section Coordinators may serve indefinitely. They may also step down
441 whenever they wish or be replaced by the Department Head at any time.

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443 **Graduate Program Director**

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445 The Graduate Program Director is appointed by the Department Head and has the following duties:

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- 447 • Oversees admission process for the MASLA (French and Spanish tracks) and for MCL Graduate
448 Certificates
- 449 • Supervises the MCL Graduate Teaching Assistantship applications
- 450 • Chairs the MCL Graduate Committee
- 451 • Schedules MCL graduate courses
- 452 • Updates the MCL Graduate Calendar for spring and fall semesters
- 453 • Initiates program and curriculum changes
- 454 • Initiates revisions and updates of the MASLA Handbook and other graduate documents and forms
- 455 • Handles inquiries from external parties and potential applicants
- 456 • Advises faculty and students on policies and procedures
- 457 • Writes and grades MASLA comprehensive exams
- 458 • Serves as academic advisor for all MCL graduate students
- 459 • Coordinates the Graduate Teaching Assistants' non-teaching assignments
- 460 • Supervises the MASLA Mentorship Program
- 461 • Approves thesis and degree paper proposals
- 462 • Supervises IRB applications for MCL MASLA candidates
- 463 • Organizes the MCL Graduate Student Orientation and the Graduate Student Welcome Reception

- 464 • Prepares annual report on MCL graduate programs
- 465 • Coordinates MCL partnerships with other university graduate programs
- 466 • Coordinates the evaluation processes and procedures for MCL graduate programs
- 467 • Defines and executes recruiting campaigns for MCL graduate programs
- 468 • Represents MCL graduate programs at internal and external events
- 469 • Attends Graduate Council meetings
- 470 • Attends Graduate Screening Committee meetings as needed
- 471 • Attends Graduate College training and Graduate Program Director meetings as required

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473 **Teacher Preparation Program Coordinator**
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475 The Teacher Preparation Program Coordinator is appointed by the Department Head and has the following duties:
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- 477 • Deals with advising issues on Teacher Education candidates (transfer credits, practica, clearances, etc.)
- 478 • Approves Transition Points 2-3 in Taskstream
- 479 • Approves Teacher Education candidates for Student Teaching (in cooperation with Professional Education Services Office)
- 480 • Reviews and approves Teacher Education candidate placements for MCL professional education courses
- 481 • Writes narrative for CAEP report and for internal (EPP) program review
- 482 • Gathers data for appeals with DESE APR when notified of need by COE
- 483 • Completes content area matrices for DESE
- 484 • Reviews and approves MAT applicants in World Languages
- 485 • Reviews background check hits for MCL Teacher Education candidates
- 486 • Writes Professional Dispositions Development Plans when necessary for MCL Teacher Education candidates
- 487 • Evaluates completion of said plans by Teacher Education candidates
- 488 • Reviews Out-of-Area Supervisor applications for Professional Education Services
- 489 • Advises students on the Teacher Certification process in World Languages (e.g. how to add certification, provisional certificates, etc.)
- 490 • Reviews DESE webinars
- 491 • Provides other information as required to Department Head, Dean, Director of Secondary Education, the head of EPP and other administrators
- 492 • Attends College of Education meetings as required
- 493 • Handles inquiries from external parties (principals, superintendents) related to Teacher Education candidates
- 494 • Initiates curricular changes as required by changes at state level in World Language Certification Area requirements
- 495 • Works with MSU Testing Center and Department Head to define Missouri Content Assessment testing windows

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504 **Basic Spanish Program Coordinator**
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506 The Basic Spanish Program Coordinator is appointed by the Department Head and has the following duties:
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- 508 • Leads curriculum design and assessment development efforts for the Basic Spanish program
- 509 • Makes teaching assignments and schedules all Basic Spanish Program classes (101-202)
- 510 • Ensures consistency and quality in all BSP classes (101-202)
- 511 • Hires, trains, supervises, and evaluates instructors in the Basic Spanish program
- 512 • Serves on the Instructional Development and Evaluation Committee