Academic Department Heads and School Directors Manual

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Department Heads and School Directors

The roles of Department Heads and School Directors are described in Section 1.4.1.2.6 of the Faculty Handbook. Primarily, Heads and Directors have administrative responsibility for their department/school. This section of the Faculty Handbook also states a School involves the same status, responsibilities, and benefits as an academic department.

Following the spirit of this section in the Faculty Handbook, this manual uses the term “Head” to represent both a Department Head and a School Director, and “department” to represent both a department and/or school.

It is essential Heads are familiar with all elements of Section 1 of the Faculty Handbook, which describes various policies effecting the Department Head/School Director position. Material in this manual reflects the principles contained in this section of the Handbook.
I. The Role of Department Heads and School Directors

A. Department Leaders

Heads must be familiar with University policies and ensure compliance within their departments. All Governing and Operating Policies are listed in the University’s Policy Library (See specific links to policies at end of this manual). http://www.missouristate.edu/policy/

The Head must be both a manager and lead with vision. He or she is responsible for marshalling the energies of the entire department to achieve its stated goals and objectives. As both manager and leader, the Head serves as the liaison between the department and the College Dean, representing the needs and expectations of each to the other. The Head guides the department in planning for the future within parameters of the goals and objectives developed by their College, the Office of the Provost, and the University. The Missouri State University Code of Conduct can be found at: https://www.missouristate.edu/policy/G1_29_Code_of_Conduct.htm

Heads are considered “decision-making public servants” and are required to file financial interest statements annually with the Missouri Ethics Commission per RSMo Section 105.483. University Policy G1.02 Conflict of Interest and Financial Disclosure also discusses this requirement. Further guidance on filing this information can be obtained from the University’s Director of Internal Audit and Compliance at 417-836-5108.

Heads must recognize the talent of the department faculty and be committed to working with them as colleagues. The Head motivates department faculty members to focus on undertakings that contribute to the department, college, and university long-range interests. The Head also insures the faculty support collective department and college goals, striving for congruence between these goals and the overall institutional mission and long range plan and the accompanying targeted actions. The Head must effectively represent the department to the university community, and bring the institutional priorities to the department faculty.

Heads have an important role and responsibility for department operations and work with faculty to prepare strategic plans, as well as scheduling of classes, screening and recommendations for faculty and staff hires, annual reports describing faculty, program, and department activities/initiatives. The Head makes final decisions at the department level on such matters as operating budget allocations, individual faculty teaching assignments, determination of research active status, course offerings, assignment of non-teaching responsibilities within the department (including the selection of Graduate Program Directors, where applicable), and candidate recommendations for faculty and staff positions, among other decisions. The Head also must deal effectively with personnel issues. For example, in the event a department member does not meet performance expectations or contribute in a positive and collegial manner to the work of the department, the Head must work with the Dean to determine and implement appropriate corrective action. These actions should be guided by relevant sections in the Missouri State University
Faculty Handbook for issues involving faculty members, and the Employee Handbook for staff matters. The key is writing appropriate and honest annual evaluations based on student course evaluations, peer review, review of materials within the dossier, and Activity Insights (Digital Measures) that clearly outline the strengths and areas for improvement for both faculty and staff.

B. General Operations

As manager, the Head is responsible for working on behalf of the department’s best interests within the parameters of department, college, and university missions, goals, and strategies. The Head works with faculty and staff in an attempt to achieve consensus on decisions facing the department while respecting and representing the goals of the department, college, and university.

While specific expectations of Heads vary from department to department, many responsibilities are common and include:

- administering the department’s undergraduate and graduate academic program(s);
- recruiting and supervising faculty while mentoring and supporting their professional development;
- supervising and supporting faculty serving in coordinator roles such a Graduate Program Director
- upholding standards of professional integrity and ethics;
- overseeing student recruitment, retention, and academic advisement;
- hiring and supervising support personnel;
- maintaining department facilities and equipment;
- planning and administering department budgets;
- participating in outreach tied to the Public Affairs mission and in accord with university operating units such as Access and Outreach supervised by the Office of the Provost;
- participating in administrative meetings such as the Academic Administrators Assembly (AAA);
- working with the Dean to advance the mission of the department, college, and university and, when applicable, with the Dean of the Graduate College to promote the department’s graduate programs;
- performing other duties assigned by the Dean.

The Head may delegate many of these duties and responsibilities, but has ultimate accountability for implementation and outcomes.
C. **Budgetary Responsibilities**

While Heads have budgetary authority, they do not have contracting authority for the University. Contracting authority is within the power of the Board of Governors and the President. The President is authorized to delegate contracting authority to certain individuals within the University. This delegation is at: [https://www.missouristate.edu/assets/policy/Op8_05_DelegationofContractingAuthority_08-08-2016.pdf](https://www.missouristate.edu/assets/policy/Op8_05_DelegationofContractingAuthority_08-08-2016.pdf)

Heads are responsible for (1) planning the department budget, (2) leading and supporting efforts to acquire external funds, and (3) monitoring and assessing the budget.

1. **Planning the Departmental Budget**

   As administrator of the department budget, the Head works closely with the Dean developing a comprehensive and coordinated budget plan. Effective budget planning requires:

   ✓ understanding all department accounts, including their history, current status, appropriate use, grants, and relationship to other accounts;
   ✓ recognizing university and college budget priorities and supporting rationales;
   ✓ overseeing budget operations, meeting deadlines, and maintaining records;
   ✓ establishing and serving as a strong advocate for department budget priorities in collaboration with the Dean and in consultation with faculty and staff;
   ✓ organizing specific procedures for monitoring the department budget on a continuous basis;
   ✓ communicating plans, potential reallocations, progress, problems, needs, and related issues to the Dean and faculty/staff as appropriate;
   ✓ monitoring the program budgets in the department.

2. **Acquiring External Funds**

   Heads must be proactive leaders in acquiring necessary funds to execute the mission of the unit, namely serving student constituencies. Heads do not assume a reactive posture by relying entirely on the annual and supplementary funding allocations from the Dean. Working within the university funding structure and with appropriate administrators and faculty, Heads develop strategies to acquire external funds from alumni, external grants, as well as public and private foundations. Specifically, Heads should work closely with the Office of Research Administration and MSU Foundations to follow appropriate protocol for seeking internal
approval for grants and working with potential donors. Heads are proactive in acquiring funds from the many support systems within the university, such as faculty development programs, international travel funds, mission enhancement monies, and other targeted resources from campus-based programs.

3. Monitoring and Assessing the Budget

Heads insure a precise and timely record-keeping process at the department level. Budget categories should not be overspent. Administrative assistants and other staff dealing with budget transactions need to be thoroughly trained and carefully supervised by the Head. Contingency plans must be developed to maintain smooth operations during times when the primary budget person is away from the department. Heads should involve faculty, as appropriate, in the budgeting and monitoring process.

There are various additional budgetary factors for Heads to consider, such as how much of the department annual budget to hold in reserve, which monies can be reallocated and/or shifted to other accounts, along with university and college policies/procedures for carrying-over funds from one fiscal year to the next. Heads need to develop specific plans for the reallocation of funding in budgetary categories as department needs change from one fiscal year to the next.

Heads continuously assess the effectiveness and efficiency of their financial operations and use these assessments for improvement. Both bottom-line outcomes and operational procedures producing these outcomes need to be assessed. The ultimate objective for the Head is maximizing the effective use of all resources for serving students, supporting faculty, and enhancing programs.

D. Relation to Department Faculty and Staff

The Head is expected to provide leadership and maintain appropriate involvement in all personnel actions in the department. In this process, Heads must follow appropriate policies in the Faculty Handbook, for faculty issues, or Employee Handbook, for staff matters. Faculty recruitment, retention, tenure, evaluation, promotion, and termination should be backed by good record keeping and involve general department planning.

1. Role in the Hiring Process

The Head is involved in all faculty recruitment activities and should be very familiar with Section 2 of the Faculty Handbook, and Section 3 of the Employee Handbook. This includes all search and hiring procedures required by the Dean, Provost’s Office, and the Office for Institutional Equity and Compliance. Finally, the Department Head should be well versed in all strategies for recruiting from underrepresented populations.
The first step involves requesting permission from the Dean for a position. This discussion includes department needs and developing a recruitment plan. The search committee chair and search committee typically are appointed by the Head in consultation with the Dean. Normally, the Head appoints a trained and experienced faculty member to chair the search committee. The Head and Chair of the search committee jointly are responsible for ensuring the search committee understands the process and the committee’s charge. Searches must be completed in a timely fashion. Heads and search committee chairs should be aware of the college and university goals as well as the affirmative action goals in effect for the department. Heads ultimately are responsible for the actions and decisions of the search committee. Heads provide regular updates to the Dean on the recruitment, search, and hiring process.

In circumstances where the Head and Dean are supportive, search committees may be chaired by Heads, Associate Deans, or faculty outside the department. At the college level, the Dean, in consultation with the Provost, has the ultimate hiring authority.

2. Personnel Management

As part of the development of long-term or strategic plans, the Head provides leadership in constructing a department plan identifying disciplinary areas of relative strength and weakness. Based on this inventory, along with information about upcoming resignations and retirements, the plan includes justified needs for additional, or decreased, faculty and/or staff. This plan should be used for recruitment strategies and hiring decisions.

The Head provides leadership by developing clear and equitable standards for faculty assessment, retention, tenure, promotion, and annual compensation reviews when applicable. These written standards, which are delineated in the approved departmental guidelines, should use behavioral terms to describe expected faculty accomplishments in teaching, research, and service, must be approved by the department faculty, and need to be consistent with sections 3 and 4 of the Faculty Handbook. The Head is responsible for explaining these standards to candidates for faculty positions at the time of recruitment, providing all new faculty members with a written copy of department standards (as clearly stated in Section 4.8.5 of the Faculty Handbook), and counseling/mentoring tenure-track and promotion-eligible faculty members.

All faculty evaluations should be written with clear reference to these approved guidelines, citing behavioral examples of each faculty member’s success (or shortfall) in attaining the standards. Probationary faculty not making satisfactory progress need to be offered an appropriate workload in accordance with established policy and the Faculty Handbook with measurable goals for improvement. The assignments and progress of all tenure-track faculty should be discussed annually with the Dean.

The Head is expected to be an informal mentor for all faculty members in the department, though the level of the Head’s mentoring involvement will vary according to the seniority and needs of
individuals. The Head is responsible for implementing the department’s formal mentoring process for each tenure-track faculty member.

The Head hires and supervises all support staff in the department and is responsible for annual personnel evaluations of staff members, seeking input from department faculty members, Dean and Provost as appropriate. The Head should also work with the department staff to identify and act on professional development opportunities appropriate for their responsibilities.

The Head also has primary responsibility for dealing with personnel problems in the department. If a faculty or staff member does not meet performance expectations or violates department/college/university policies or procedures, the Head will meet with the individual (and any other individuals involved, if appropriate) to discuss the situation. The Head should make a written record of that meeting. The Head may also initiate such a meeting following complaints from students, fellow faculty members, or department staff. Depending on the gravity of the situation, the Head may place a letter of counseling and reprimand in the faculty or staff member’s personnel file or move to further corrective actions, in consultation with the Dean and using sections 3, 4, and 13 of the Missouri State University Faculty Handbook or the Employee Handbook as a guide.

E. Teaching, Research, Professional Activities, and Service

Typically, Heads negotiate the amount of time spent in teaching, research, and service activities with their Dean. The scope of work varies greatly depending on the size and mission of the unit. Thus, one size or approach is not appropriate for determining teaching load for a department head. Heads do not receive compensation for teaching assignments, except for what is allowable for per student stipend tied to an online course. For most departments, the majority of the Head’s assignment involves administration of the unit. Heads are encouraged to continue an active program of research, recognized professional activity, exemplary service, and/or grant activities.

Since Heads primarily are administrators, they are not permitted to apply for either a semester or year-long sabbatical. However, Department Heads are eligible for occasional summer administrative leaves, based on Section 11.5 of the Faculty Handbook. In order for this leave to be approved, there must be someone willing to assume their administrative duties and the Dean must be willing to fund this replacement.

F. Communication with Administration

The Head’s immediate supervisor is typically the College Dean. Heads and Deans must recognize their relationship is an essential partnership of shared responsibility and accountability for both effective leadership and efficient management.
The Dean and Head must keep each other informed in advance of any important information on issues facing the department, college, or university. Also, Heads must inform the Dean if they desire to take any policy, budgetary, personnel, or other action/issue to the Office of the Provost, other high-level university administrators, or outside constituents.

G. Academic Integrity

One key element to maintaining positive and productive programs at both the undergraduate and graduate level is Academic Integrity. The university has established both a department and reporting process to address student issues as they arise. The process and information on Academic Integrity can be found at: https://www.missouristate.edu/policy/Op3_02_AcademicIntegritySummary.htm.

H. Research Integrity

Heads contribute to a community of scholars through awareness of the policies, processes, and training requirements associated with promoting research integrity within the department and across campus. Missouri State University is committed to the ethical conduct of research. The administration, faculty, students, and staff of the University share in the responsibility for preserving the integrity of research. All members of the University community are responsible for promoting the highest ethical principles in each academic discipline. The Research Misconduct policy can be found at: https://www.missouristate.edu/policy/Op4_01_7_ResearchMisconductPolicy.htm

Faculty, staff, and students can access training at www.citiprogram.org. For more information or questions regarding research integrity, please contact the Research Integrity Officer (RIO)/Director of Research Administration at 417-836-5972 or email researchadministration@missouristate.edu.

I. Domestic and International Travel

Missouri State faculty members or administrators may take students on non-Study Away programs for domestic or international field trips, research or discipline-related travel. Even if students do not receive credit for their travel time with faculty or administrators, Missouri State requires faculty and administrators to adhere to these guidelines:

Faculty Responsibilities

. Provide the names of all student participants to the Study Away Programs office.
. Complete Campus Security Training through the My Learning Connection.
. Attend a pre-departure orientation with the Study Away Director.
. Complete the Missouri State Travel Advance and/or Foreign Travel Authorization form(s).
Student Responsibilities

- Students will be charged the International Programs Academic Fee, which includes the international medical insurance cost. The charge will be placed on each student’s Missouri State account. See page 15 of the Board of Governor’s approved fees for 2017-18. Study Away will enroll each student in GeoBlue insurance. An insurance card will be sent from GeoBlue to each student.

- Students must register their non-Study Away program with the International Academic Experience application.
II. The Position of Department Head or School Director

A. Authorization and Selection Process

The Dean, in consultation with the Provost, authorizes any search for a Head. Subject to the approval of the Provost, the Dean, and in consultation with the department faculty, determines the parameters of the search process. The Dean and Provost decide if the search is to be internal or external. A Head or a tenured Full Professor from another department in the college will participate in the search process, generally acting as search committee chair. Searches for Heads follow the established process outlined by the Provost’s Office and Office for Institutional Equity and Compliance.

B. Credentials

Typically, the Head holds the Professor rank with tenure. The Head will have a strong vita indicating administrative and faculty governance experience indicating a range of professional experiences and familiarity with faculty governance.

C. Appointment Letter and Term of Office

The Dean, after consulting the department faculty and with approval of the Provost and Board of Governors, makes the final selection of the Head and establishes any parameters of the appointment, including elements both included and not included in this document (e.g. interim appointments). Granting of rank and tenure will be based on departmental policy and on a vote of the department's faculty (see Op. pol. 7.10, especially section 10.2). All specific conditions for the Head’s term should be made clear in the appointment letter, along with the clear understanding that Heads serve at the will of their Dean, Provost and President.

The department head shall be appointed for a fixed term of years not to exceed five (5) years in length, and the terms should be included in the appointment letter. Appointments for Acting/Interim Heads may be for one or two years, pursuant to the Search Guidelines. Per Op.3.08-2, and as a general rule, an academic administrator may be reappointed to up to two additional terms of up to five years each (15 years in total service in a specific position). Heads receive twelve-month assignments which generally begin on August 1 of a given year. It might be beneficial for Heads to begin their initial appointment earlier in the summer resulting in a period of overlap and transition with the previous administration. However, a term beginning prior to August 1 requires approval of the Dean and Provost.

Heads are subject to the standard “Recall of Administrators” process described in Section 11.2 of the Faculty Handbook, and the Academic Administrators Appointment and Compensation Policy: https://www.missouristate.edu/policy/Op3_08_2_AcademicAdminApt.htm. In the event of a conflict or ambiguity between this manual and either of the aforementioned policies, those policies shall take precedence.
D. Reappointment

A Head may be reappointed for an additional term in accordance with Op 3.08-2, Academic Administrators Appointment and Compensation Policy (“Retreat Policy”).

E. Return to Faculty

It generally is expected that Head terms will end, by expiration or resignation, on or after August 1 of a given year, unless other arrangements are stated in the appointment letter. The appointment letter for all Heads will reflect the basis for determining the salary of the Head upon his or her return to the faculty at Missouri State University, consistent with the Retreat Policy in 11.3 of the Faculty Handbook.

If the Head is eligible for post-administrative instructional development, pursuant to the Retreat Policy, the out-going Head shall submit to their Dean an appropriate plan for activities during the leave. The Head is required to stay at Missouri State University for at least one year following completion of this administrative leave or reduced load. (This policy is consistent with various sections in the Faculty Handbook (7.2.1 for sabbatical leaves, 7.2.2 for professional leaves, 7.2.5 for special leaves, and 11.5 for special administrative leaves).

F. Professional Development

Heads are expected to engage in regular professional development activities for administrators and participation in these activities will be an aspect of the Head’s annual evaluation. Professional development includes both on and off campus opportunities. On-campus activities include regularly attending meetings of the Academic Administrator’s Assembly. Off- campus professional development involves attending regional or national conferences, such as those facilitated by the American Council on Education, the IDEA Center, or discipline-based conferences for Department Heads/Chairs.

College Deans are expected to fund Head’s travel for administrative professional development, assuming adequate funding is available in the college budget. The amount and purpose of funding must be approved by the Dean prior to travel.

Suggested professional development activities for Heads include those promoting:

✓ primary administrative skills;
✓ budget management;
✓ department governance and effective shared governance;
✓ conflict management and resolution;
✓ resource management;
✓ personnel management;
✓ understanding legal issues affecting department administration;
✓ broader contemporary issues in higher education;
✓ enrollment management.

G. Evaluation

Section 11.1 of the Faculty Handbook states all academic administrators shall be evaluated annually and this evaluation will be conducted by the administrator’s immediate supervisor. In the case of Heads, that supervisor is their Dean. This section also stipulates, “In all cases, reports from individuals who are supervised by the administrator being evaluated will be included in the review.” Guided by this policy, the Dean uses the following data sources for constructing the Head’s annual review; however, other requirements for the Head’s annual review are determined by specific college policy:

1. Department Head Feedback System. Part of the Head’s annual review employs the Department Head Feedback System managed at Kansas State University’s IDEA Center. This instrument is administered to all full-time faculty and, in addition, staff considered by Deans to be in a position to provide relevant feedback about the Head’s job-related activities. The five parts of the assessment include: 1) Head responsibilities, 2) Head leadership capacities, 3) Head activities, 4) obstacles impeding the effectiveness of the Head, and 5) qualitative comments.

2. The Dean’s Observations. The Dean’s observations of Head leadership are generated from a variety of sources including professional interactions with Heads, discussions with department staff, faculty and students, as well as communication with relevant community members. The Dean also may use other sources relevant to the professional activities of Heads.

3. Annual Department Report. As part of the Annual Department Report, Heads submit additional evidence of professional accomplishments and leadership effectiveness. Evidence may differ by college or the unique duties of individual Heads, but can include recorded progress toward department goals, initiatives, or priorities, department productivity indicators, actions taken to strengthen department conditions, professional and leadership development experiences, evidence of personal scholarship, and teaching effectiveness. Heads also submit personal professional development goals and department priorities as part of the annual report.
The Head’s annual review is conducted by their supervising Dean during the Spring Semester so that these evaluations are considered in any merit decisions determining the Head’s compensation for the following fiscal year.

The Dean will meet with the Head to discuss the outcome of the annual review. This meeting should be a participative process culminating in the identification of priorities and goals for improving the department and/or the Head’s professional development. The results of this meeting will be documented in an annual evaluation letter for the Head, and this letter should include both progress toward attaining goals/objectives from the previous year along with setting goals/objectives for the coming year. A copy of this letter is sent to the Head for signature. The letter, signed by both the Dean and Head, is placed in the Head’s personnel file.

H. Reappointment to a Subsequent Term

Head appointments are renewable upon a favorable decision by the Dean and Provost. This decision results from a substantive review process. During the Fall Semester of the final year in the Head’s term, assuming the Dean and Head wish to consider a subsequent term, a comprehensive review of the Head occurs.

When considering reappointment, the Dean will request the Head to assemble a self-study presenting a summary of the Head’s activity and accomplishments during their term. This self-study must contain a cover letter describing leadership activities and initiatives, department accomplishments, along with the Head’s vision for the department during a subsequent term. In addition, the self-study should include copies of annual review letters from the Dean, department annual reports, IDEA data, and evidence of the Head’s professional activities during their term. The Dean also can request additional materials.

The Dean determines the review process for considering a Head’s subsequent term. At a minimum, the Dean should solicit input from department faculty and staff regarding their assessments of the Head’s term and prospects for the future. However, the Dean may use discretion to request input from appropriate external constituencies including alumni, professional groups, or community groups.

After reviewing all materials, the Dean will consult with the Provost before making a reappointment decision. After this determination occurs, the Dean will inform the Head and department faculty of the decision. A new appointment letter specifying conditions, including length of the subsequent term, will be offered to the Head. It is desirable to conclude the reappointment process no later than March 1 so adequate planning can occur, either for the Head’s continuation or the appointment of an Interim/Acting Head to assume duties the following August 1.
Reference Guide to Relevant Policies and Procedures for Department Heads

The following sections contain links to the policy library, Provost Website, and other resources that have been determined to be important for Department Heads and the effective operations of their academic units:

Academic Integrity
- Academic Integrity Procedures Summary

Academic and Other Work Related Calendars
- Academic Work Calendar
- Calendar for Faculty Evaluation, Tenure and Promotion and Reappointment
- Fiscal Year-End Deadlines
- Promotion Calendar for Clinical Faculty and Instructors

Administrative Leave Options
- Administrative Leave
- Special Leave for Administrators

Faculty Workload and Compensation
- Faculty Workload Policy for Springfield and Mountain Grove Campuses
- Teaching Loads
- Work Assignment Negotiation

Fiscal and Budgetary Expectations and Responsibilities
- Acceptable Use Policy
- Banner Finance Frequently Asked Questions
- Bear Finance
- Budget Documents
- Business Related Operating Policies
- Computer Inventory
- Conflict of Interest in Research Policy
- Conflict of Interest and Financial Disclosure Policy
- Consulting Agreement Template
- Consulting & Professional Services Worksheet
- Entering a Requisition
- Expense Allowances
- Expense Report Form
- Fiscal Responsibility Policy
- Information Classification Policy
- Missouri Ethics Commission - Personal Financial Disclosure
- Online Credit Card Policy
- Petty Cash Policy
- Policies and Guidelines
- Procurement Card Policy
- Procurement Procedures
- Property Control Procedures
- Property Control and Central Receiving
- Records Management Guide (Records Retention Policy)
- Surplus Equipment Policy (“Surplus Usage Policy”)
- University Signature Policy

**Hiring Practices**
- Applicant Recruitment and Referral
- Faculty Recruitment Resources

**Paid Medical Leaves and FMLA**
- Faculty Sick Leave 6.6.6
- Unpaid FMLA Leave 6.6.7.1
- Paid FMLA Leave 6.6.7.3
- No Right to both Paid and Unpaid FMLA Leave 6.6.7.5
- Accessing Up to One Semester Paid Medical Leave

**Personnel Actions Involving Faculty and Staff**
- Bullying policy
- Faculty Disciplinary Process and Sanctions: Professional Practices Review Process (PPRP)
- Faculty Grievances: Academic Personnel Grievance Process (APGP)
Reappointment and Return to Faculty
- Academic Administrators Appointment and Compensation Policy

Tenure and Promotion and Annual Evaluations
- Appeal Related to Reappointment, Tenure, or Promotion
- Evaluation and Compensation Plan Policy: Procedure for Lean Years
- Evaluation of Teaching
- Evaluation of Tenure—Track Faculty and Instructors
- Performance Reviews for Full-Time Faculty
- Promotion, Tenure and Reappointment Review
- Tenure and Promotion Home Page

Travel Policies
- Courtesy Vehicles (Including Vehicle Allowances)
- Foreign Travel
- Methods of Transportation
- Mileage Reimbursement Rates
- Operation of Personal Automobiles on University Business
- Travel Advances
- Travel Reimbursement
- Travel Regulations
- University Provided Vehicles