Scope of Policy

This policy applies to the entire University.

Policy

The Board of Trustees establishes the category of Distinguished Professorships, with the understanding that the Provost will make such appointments in consultation with the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board, in recognition of distinguished scholarship, expansion of the forefront of knowledge and extraordinary contributions to mankind.

Notes

1. Dates of official enactment and amendments:

   Adopted by the Board of Trustees on May 10, 1983.

   Updated and amended by the Board of Trustees on May 13, 2008.

   Updated and amended by the Board of Trustees on July 12, 2022.

2. History:

   In adopting this policy in 1983, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendations of the Educational Policies Committee (EPC) and the Executive Committee. The EPC recommended to the Executive Committee that the President be authorized to establish three Distinguished Professorships, with the understanding that the naming of these Professors would be done by the President in consultation with the EPC.
The Executive Committee voted to join with the EPC in recommending that the Board establish the category of Distinguished Professorships, with the understanding that the President would make such appointments in consultation with the EPC, in recognition of distinguished scholarship, expansion of the forefront of knowledge and extraordinary contributions to mankind. The Executive Committee, however, did not explicitly limit the number of Distinguished Professorships to three.

The May 13, 2008 amendment changed the name of the Board committee to conform to the Bylaws of the University as amended on May 14, 2002.

In July 2022, the Board of Trustees amended the policy to change the delegation of authority from the President to the Provost.

3. Cross References

Board of Trustees Policy #02.45.01, Establishment of Named Chairs and Professorships