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## **APPENDIX O**

### **QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE GRADUATE FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA**

*The purpose of the Graduate Faculty at The University of Alabama is to set standards for graduate work and provide graduate instruction. It is the responsibility of the Graduate Faculty in each division to elect its representative(s) to the Graduate Council, which acts for the faculty in matters relating to graduate work. There are three categories of members: full, associate, and temporary. Only members of the Graduate Faculty may teach courses numbered 500 or above, and only members of the Graduate Faculty may chair thesis and examining committees. Only full members may chair dissertation committees.*

#### **A. Criteria for Full and Associate Members**

*The dean of each academic division has the responsibility of nominating members to serve on the Graduate Faculty who meet the following criteria:*

- 1. (a) Hold the Ph.D. or other terminal degree, and*
- (b) Hold the rank of at least Assistant Professor in a full-time, tenure-track position.*
- 2. Full and associate members must demonstrate ability and continuing interest in the graduate program and in research or creative activity. Full members must show a strong, continuing record of productive research, publication, creative activity, and scholarly activity appropriate to the discipline. These broad requirements are best interpreted by each department and college considering their unique aspects.*
- 3. Be recommended by the departmental graduate faculty, department chairperson, and dean of the academic division.*

*These nominations will then be acted upon by the chairperson of the Graduate Council, the dean of the Graduate School.*

#### **B. Terms of Appointment**

*Full and associate members are appointed for six-year renewable terms.*

#### **C. Temporary Membership**

*Temporary membership may be extended to well-qualified individuals, who do not satisfy the above criteria, to perform specific functions for specific time periods, not to exceed one calendar year. They should be recommended by the departmental graduate faculty, department chairperson, and dean of the academic division. These nominations will then be acted upon by the chairperson of the Graduate Council, the dean of the Graduate School.*