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**ADJUNCT PROFESSOR SERIES**  
(Revised 4/26)

**I. Definition**

The titles in this series may be assigned to those who are predominantly engaged in research and who participate in teaching, or to individuals who contribute primarily to teaching and have a limited responsibility for research or other creative work. Appointees also engage in University and public service consistent with their assignments. See APM 280 for System Wide policy on Adjunct Professors.

Appointments may be made on a paid basis or a without salary basis.

**II. Appointment Criteria**

A candidate for appointment or advancement in this series is judged by the same four criteria specified for the Professor series, except that evaluation of the candidate shall take into account the nature of the duties and responsibilities, and shall adjust accordingly the emphasis to be placed on each of the criteria. The four criteria are:

1. Teaching
2. Research
3. Professional competence and activity
4. University and public service

See APM 210-1 for an explanation of these criteria.

**III. Term of Appointment**

Appointment or reappointment at the Assistant level may be for a maximum term of two years. Appointments at 50% or greater are limited to a total of eight years of service at the Assistant Professor level. Appointments at less than 50% are not subject to the eight-year limit.

Appointments or reappointments may be for up to two years at the Associate Adjunct Professor level and for up to three years at the Adjunct Professor level. For paid appointments a guarantee of funding is required for the duration of the appointment. Reappointments for funding purposes only, involving no academic review, may be requested by memo from the Chair or Director. No departmental vote is required.

The following policies apply to all without salary Adjunct appointments

**IV. Restrictions and review process**

For non-salaried appointments the title will normally be accorded to a distinguished person whose main affiliation is with another institution or in private industry, but who has an ongoing identifiable research and teaching involvement with UCSB.

Appointment may be made at the Assistant Adjunct Professor, Associate Adjunct Professor, or Adjunct Professor level. Candidates who hold, or have held an academic appointment at another institution should be appointed at the equivalent level. Candidates who have a main affiliation in industry and have not held an academic appointment in the past should be appointed at a level appropriate to their standing in the field.

To request a without salary appointment the following documents must be submitted to the Dean's office:

- Up-to-date CV
- UCSB biography form
- Departmental recommendation letter that includes a summary of the candidate's qualifications, justification for the level being proposed and the specific research and/or teaching that will take place.

To request a without salary reappointment the following documents must be submitted to the Dean's office:

- Up- to- date CV
- Departmental recommendation letter that includes the specific research and/or teaching that will take place as well as an evaluation of the performance during the current appointment period.

The following policies apply to all salaried Adjunct appointments

## **V. Ranks and Steps**

Assistant Adjunct Professor II- VI  
Associate Adjunct Professor I- V  
Adjunct Professor I- IX

The normal time of service at each step within the Assistant and Associate rank is 2 years, except for service at the overlapping steps of Assistant Adjunct Professor V and VI, and Associate Adjunct Professor IV and V (Red Binder I-4, III). Within the Adjunct Professor rank normal service at Steps I-IV is 3 years. Service at Step V and above may be for an indefinite time; however, normal service is 3 years at Steps V through VIII and 4 years at Step IX. Eligibility for normal advancement occurs after the normal time of service at each step. If not advanced, the candidate will continue to be eligible each year until advancement occurs.

## **VI. Compensation**

- A. Initial appointments and reappointments in this series are conditional on programmatic need and the availability of funds, and each individual shall be notified to this effect at the time of appointment or reappointment.
- B. Individuals appointed to this series are compensated from the salary scales established for the Professorial ranks.
- C. At least 50% of any appointment must be funded from other than 19900 sources.
- D. Appointees to this series who hold academic year (9/12 basis) appointments are eligible to receive additional compensation for summer research efforts at the 1/9th rate.
- E. Off-scale salaries are allowed within the same limits and policies as ladder faculty off-scale salaries. (Red Binder I-8)

## **VII. Restrictions**

- A. Individuals who are primarily researchers and who teach regularly at least one course a year should be appointed in the Adjunct series for their whole appointment. Professional Researchers who teach less than one course a year should be given a Lecturer appointment in conjunction with

the Researcher appointment. For purposes of appointment “one course” is defined as a regularly scheduled class that meets at least three hours per week (e.g. a 599 class does not fulfill the requirement).

For appointments in which teaching is the main activity, it must be clearly demonstrated that a teaching title such as lecturer is not appropriate, before appointment to this series can be approved.

- B. An appointee to a title in this series shall have the title revoked whenever the appointee's participation in teaching ceases to conform to the criteria set forth in A above.
- C. No appointee shall be paid from 19900 funds for more than 50% of any appointment. To the extent that State funds are used to support any part of the salary, the corresponding fractional part of an FTE shall also be used for the appointment.
- D. Appointees are not members of the Academic Senate, do not acquire security of employment or tenure, and are not eligible for sabbatical leave.
- E. Paid Adjunct appointments are subject to open search requirements as defined in Red Binder VII-1.

### **VIII. Appointment and Advancement**

- A. Paid appointments at 50% time or more that exceed one year will be considered the equivalent of ladder rank faculty appointments. Procedures and policies concerning appointment and advancement within the ladder ranks will apply to these positions (Red Binder I). The checklists for appointment (Red Binder I-15) and for advancement (Red Binder I-31 and I-34) should be used when preparing cases. For individuals appointed at less than 50% the same checklists is to be used to prepare the case.
- B. All advancement actions are based on the individual's achievements. Normal advancement will occur after 2 years at step at the Assistant or Associate level and after 3 years at the Adjunct Professor level. Merit increases are based on the academic record since the time of last review while promotions, advancement to Adjunct Professor VI, and advancement to Adjunct Professor Above Scale are based on the career academic record.
- C. All merits and promotions will be effective July 1. Completed cases must be submitted to the college by the deadlines established for ladder faculty cases. Cases received after the due date will be returned to the Department and will not be processed. A missed deadline may not be used as justification for retroactivity in a future review.

Deferral will be automatic if an Adjunct Professor does not submit material by the departmental due date and no case is forwarded by the department, with the exception of formal appraisals and mandatory reviews.

- D. A formal appraisal of an Assistant Adjunct Professor will take place during the fourth year of service. The procedures outlined in Red Binder I-38 will be used.

Appointees in the Adjunct series must undergo a performance review at least once every five years, including an evaluation of the record in all review areas. This review may not be deferred. If the candidate does not turn in materials by the departmental due date, the department will conduct the review based on the materials available in the department as of the due date.

- E. External letters of evaluation will be required in cases of: appointment as Associate Adjunct Professor, appointment as Adjunct Professor, promotion to Associate Adjunct Professor, promotion to Adjunct Professor and merit to Adjunct Professor Above Scale. The policies related

to solicitation of external evaluation for ladder faculty must be followed (Red Binder I-46 to I-50).

**IX. Approval Authority**

Action

Authority

50% or more for more than one year:

Same as ladder rank faculty  
(Red Binder I-14)

Exceptions to State funding limits

Chancellor

Less than 50% or one year or less:

Assistant level: Appointments  
Reappointments, Merits

Dean

Associate, Full reappointments and merits

Dean

Associate, Full Appointments  
Promotions

Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

Exceptions to State funding limits

Vice Provost for Academic Affairs