I. Definition

Research Associates and Research Fellows are non-salaried (without salary) appointments for scholars of distinction and visiting fellows whose main affiliation is elsewhere but who maintain a recognizable research affiliation with UCSB. Research Associates and Research Fellows may serve as co-PI by exception.

II. Appointment Criteria

Appointments may be made as:

- Research Associate: Title code 3298
- Research Fellow: Title code 3296

Appointees as Research Associate or Research Fellow must possess a Ph.D. or equivalent training in the field. In addition:

A. Appointees as Research Associate must have established a record of independent research.
B. Appointees as Research Fellow need not have had experience as an independent researcher aside from the research done for the doctoral degree. Research Fellows will normally be visiting fellows from recognized fellowship programs of from other universities.

In limited circumstances, an individual who is establishing a research relationship with UCSB but is not yet funded, and for whom UCSB is the main affiliate, may be appointed as Research Associate or Research Fellow.

III. Terms of Appointment

Appointments and reappointments to these titles are for specified terms, not to exceed three years per appointment. There is no limit on the total length of appointment in the series.

IV. Appointment Procedure

Appointments are processed by submitting the Contingent Workers Appointment Form signed Patent Acknowledgement form, and an up to date UCSB Biography form to the Academic Personnel office.

V. Approval authority

All actions Department Chair or Director with post-audit by Academic Personnel