# Graduate Faculty Membership Categories

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| **Full**    | • Hold a terminal or earned doctoral degree.  
• Hold a regular tenured or tenure track continuing faculty appointment at the University of Toledo.  
• Be actively engaged in both graduate education and research and continuing scholarly activity.  
• Consideration will be given to evidence of successful involvement with graduate students and programs, evidence of significant professional accomplishment, and where appropriate, administrative responsibility in graduate education. | • Propose, design and teach graduate level courses (including thesis research, scholarly project research and dissertation research).  
• May serve on, or chair, Masters and Doctoral advisory committees, comprehensive examination committees, and graduate projects or internships.  
• May vote in elections pertaining to Graduate Council and graduate education matters.  
• May serve on appropriate committees of the Graduate Council.  
• May serve on the Graduate Council. | Review every seven years. The result of this review may be:  
• Continued Full membership.  
• Associate membership.  
• Professional membership.  
• Revocation of Graduate Faculty membership. |
| **Associate** | • Hold an earned terminal degree; alternatively, hold an earned Master’s degree and possess equivalent experience to a terminal degree as documented through an evaluative review process.  
• Hold a regular tenured or tenure track continuing faculty appointment at the University of Toledo.  
• Demonstrated responsibility in both graduate education and research including continuing scholarly activity. | • May serve on, but may not chair, Masters or Doctoral advisory committees and comprehensive examination committees. However, only Graduate Faculty with doctoral degrees may serve on Doctoral advisory committees. Exceptions to this provision may be addressed with Special Membership status.  
• May serve on, or chair, Scholarly Project committees; may direct internships.  
• May teach graduate level courses (excluding thesis/dissertation research).  
• May vote in elections pertaining to Graduate Council and graduate education matters.  
• May serve on appropriate committees of the Graduate Council.  
• May not serve on the Graduate Council. | Review every seven years or sooner if requested. The result of this review may be:  
• Promotion to Full membership.  
• Continued Associate membership.  
• Professional membership.  
• Revocation of Graduate Faculty membership. |
| **Professional** | • Hold an earned terminal degree; alternatively, hold an earned Master’s degree and possess equivalent experience to a terminal degree as documented through an evaluative review process.  
• Hold a regular continuing faculty appointment at The University of Toledo, and  
• Be qualified to engage in teaching service at the graduate level. | • May serve on, but may not chair, Scholarly Project, Mater’s or Doctoral advisory committees and comprehensive examination committees. However, only Graduate Faculty member with doctoral degrees may serve on Doctoral advisory committees. Exceptions to this provision may be addressed with Special Membership status;  
• May teach graduate level courses (excluding thesis/dissertation research, and,  
• May vote in elections pertaining to Graduate Council and graduate education, but,  
• May not serve on the committees of the Graduate Council, and,  
• May not serve on the Graduate Council. | Reviewed within seven years or sooner if requested. The result of this review may be:  
• Promotion to Full membership.  
• Promotion to Associate membership.  
• Continued Professional membership.  
• Revocation of Graduate Faculty membership. |
| **Adjunct** | • Hold an earned terminal degree; alternatively, hold an earned Master’s degree and possess equivalent experience to a terminal degree as documented through an evaluative review process.  
• Does not hold a regular continuing faculty appointment at The University of Toledo. Adjunct membership may be held by visiting and part-time faculty, part-time clinical or visiting appointees, and fellows, and  
• Adjunct membership must be for a specified period of time for those professionals who would make a significant contribution to graduate education, research, and service. | • May teach graduate level courses (excluding thesis/dissertation research);  
• May serve on, but may not chair, Scholarly Project, Masters or Doctoral advisory committees and comprehensive examination committees. However, only Graduate Faculty members with doctoral degrees may serve on Doctoral advisory committees. Exceptions to this provision may be addressed with Special Membership status; but  
• May not vote in elections pertaining to Graduate Council or graduate education matters.  
• May not serve on committees of the Graduate Council  
• May not serve on the Graduate Council. | Appointment for a specific period of time but in no case greater than three years.  
May be renewed upon recommendation of the Membership Committee. |
| **Special** | • The Membership Committee may grant Special Membership to professionals, including but not limited to, University of Toledo lecturers, research faculty, and retired UT faculty who would make a significant contribution to graduate education or research. | • Given responsibilities as enumerated by the Membership Committee from the Duties and Privileges of Full Membership.  
• May not vote in elections pertaining to Graduate Council or graduate education matters.  
• May not serve on the committees of the Graduate Council.  
• May not serve on the Graduate Council. | Appointment for a specific period of time but in no case greater than three years.  
This membership appointment may be renewed upon recommendation of the Vice Provost for Graduate Affairs and Dean of the College of Graduate Studies and the Membership Committee. |