



What is the University Committee on Faculty Tenure?

The University Committee on Faculty Tenure advises the Provost on the formal and procedural rules for the award and revocation of tenure and on policies relating to tenure. It also makes recommendations to the Faculty Senate on such rules and on policies. Additionally, UCFT hears and acts on all cases for exceptions to the rules of tenure, and its decisions on the matters are binding on the administration and on the faculty member.

What are the time obligations like?

UCFT meets bi-weekly on Wednesdays from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Meetings begin the first full week of classes and stop prior to exam week.

What is the length of the term?

Terms for candidates elected in the Spring Semester 2021 elections will begin on August 16, 2021 and end on August 16, 2024.

Who is eligible to vote in the election?

Per Section 1.1.2.1. of the Bylaws for Academic Governance, “The voting faculty in the election of University-level councils and committees shall be all regular faculty, health professions faculty, and FRIB/NSCL faculty. Voting faculty also includes full-time fixed-term faculty who have served at least three consecutive years and full-time academic specialists who have served at least three consecutive years. Voting faculty must be engaged in academic activities of the University.” The term “regular faculty” means those appointed under the rules of tenure and holding the rank of professor, associate professor, or assistant professor, as well as all persons appointed as librarians. Furthermore, per Section 1.1.2.1.1., “Full-time shall be defined as a workload equal to or greater than a 0.9 full-time equivalent.”

Who is eligible to be elected?

Eligibility to serve on UCFT is limited to those appointed under the rules of tenure and holding the rank of professor, associate professor, or assistant professor, as well as all persons appointed as librarians.

At least three members of UCFT must be non-tenured but appointed under the rules of tenure. Please refer to your college’s specific election instructions to find out if your college needs to elect a non-tenured member.