



# Appointment and Reappointment of Endowed Faculty Positions

This policy address how endowed chairs and professors are appointed and reappointed in CFAES. Endowed faculty positions are honorific titles coming with financial resources (to be used as per the endowment chartering document) and are not faculty positions or lines in and of themselves, unless otherwise noted and approved in the gift agreement. While we generally refer to them as "positions," in sum, they are typically in the form of 0% FTE honorific titles coming with financial support.

# **Standard Operating Procedure Details**

Faculty are appointed to hold endowed positions for three to five-year terms and, when eligible, must be reviewed for reappointment by their TIUs and the college (some are college-level appointments), prior to the expiration of the previous term. Criteria and process recommendations for TIU-level reappointment reviews can be found in the college and TIU APT documents. The recommendations generated by these reviews are reviewed at the college-level and provided to the Provost for a final reappointment decision, which is then forwarded to the Board of Trustees for final approval. Initial appointments to endowed positions should be made following similar evaluative criteria and processes.

### **Procedure**

| Appointment Procedure  |                             |                      | Reappointment           |
|--|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| (Existing endowed position is open for a new appointee, or new                                   |                             |                      | Procedure               |
| endowed position has been created.)  |                             |                      | (Current holder of an   |
| Direct   | Internal Search of a        | Appointment with     | endowed position is     |
| Appointment of   | Current CFAES Faculty       | External Hire        | entering the final year |
| a Current CFAES  | Member                      |                      | of his/her appointment) |
| Faculty Member   |                             |                      |                         |
| 1. This option is  | 1. This option is available | 1. The TIU should    | 1. Approximately 6      |
| available when   | when there are multiple     | work with the        | months to 1 year        |
| there is one   | strong candidates for       | Senior Associate     | prior to the            |
| clear candidate  | the endowment based         | Dean and Director    | expiration of the       |
| or a clear   | on the chartering           | of Faculty and Staff | current                 |
| rationale for a  | document criteria. A call   | Affairs to outline   | appointment, the        |
| targeted   | for applications is         | the intention to     | TIU should begin        |
| appointment.   | developed. Applications     | award the endowed    | conducting a            |
| The candidate  | can be screened by a        | position to a new    | reappointment           |
| should   | search committee            | hire on the standard | review of the faculty   |
| generate a   | (typically a smaller and    | Faculty Hire request | member holding the      |
| proposal   | faculty-focused roster      | form. Cabinet will   | endowed position        |
| outlining their  | as compared to a            | review the Faculty   | following the           |
| plan for the   | regular faculty search)     | Hire request, as     | procedure outlined in   |
| endowed  | or by the key decision      | usual, keeping in    | the CFAES POA           |
| program.   | maker(s) based on the       | mind the endowed     | document. As per the    |
|  | chartering document.        | position. If         | POA, "the criteria for  |
|  | At the least, the           | approved,            | reappointment will      |
|  | candidate should            | candidates for the   | be consistent with      |
|  | generate a proposal         | position should be   | the current             |
|  | outlining their plan for    | asked to include a   | chartering              |
|  | the endowed program.        | proposal outlining   | document."              |
|  | Interviews are              | their plan for the   | Therefore, a review     |
|  | permitted. If there is a    | endowed program,     | should not only focus   |
|  | search committee, that      | with their           | on the excellence of    |
|  | committee should share      | application          | the faculty member      |
|  | feedback and                | materials. Internal  | but whether or not      |
|  | acceptability with the      | candidates are       | the faculty member      |
|  | decision maker(s) but       | welcome to apply.    | appropriately used      |
|  | not rank the candidates     |                      | the funds as per the    |
|  | as done in a regular        |                      | chartering document.    |
|  | faculty search.             |                      |                         |
| 2. The materials generated for TIU-level review (including the TIU head's recommendation letter) |                             |                      |                         |

- 2. The materials generated for TIU-level review (including the TIU head's recommendation letter) should be sent to the Senior Associate Dean for Faculty and Staff Affairs for college approval. For reappointment, they should be submitted to the college no later than 2 months prior to the expiration of the current appointment.
- 3. Upon receipt of the TIU appointment/reappointment recommendation, the Senior Associate Dean and Director of Faculty and Staff Affairs will coordinate with the Vice President and Dean to provide a recommendation to the Provost. The CFAES Office of Advancement will be

- consulted regarding the proposal/self-report to ensure the proposed/previous work aligns with the endowment chartering document.
- 4. Should the Vice President and Dean's recommendation be for appointment, the prospective appointee will receive a preliminary offer outlining initial terms.
- 5. The (re)appointee will receive an offer letter. For an initial appointment, it's at this point that any changes in salary should be considered. Holders of the endowed chairs/named professorships can negotiate a supplement to their salary with a portion of the proceeds of the endowment at appointment. A change in salary at <u>appointment</u> is not required, but a salary analysis may be warranted. Changes in salary for <u>reappointments</u> should be rolled into the AMC Process (AMCP).
- 6. Once signed, this letter and the review materials from both the TIU and college-level will be forwarded to OAA for review and inclusion for approval at the next Board of Trustees meeting.
- 7. Once the position is approved by OAA, there will be a meeting with the appointee, TIU head (or appropriate leader), and the either the VP/Dean or Senior Associate Dean and Director of Faculty and Staff Affairs, along with CFAES Advancement staff, to discuss any details of the position, leadership expectations, and/or fund usage priorities outlined in the associated endowment chartering document.

## Responsibilities Under the Policy

Initial appointment/reappointment reviews are the responsibility of the TIU in which the endowed position resides. Reminders for positions with end dates in the upcoming year will be sent by the Office of Faculty and Staff Affairs in the November prior.

In cases where the position is not tied to a TIU, the Senior Associate Dean and Director of Faculty and Staff Affairs, in collaboration with Cabinet, will initiate the (re)appointment review.

Following each (re)appointment, CFAES Advancement will highlight the position holder through various channels.

### Resources/Forms

<u>CFAES POA Document</u> CFAES Faculty Hire Checklist & Request Form

## **Contacts for Questions**

Questions about general or specific practices and policies, or individual appointments/reappointments, should be made through unit leaders to the college's Senior Associate Dean and Director of Faculty and Staff Affairs.