Emeritus Designation

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Responsible University Office:

Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Responsible University Administrator:

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

The honorary title "Emeritus" confers continued academic appointments on retired presidents, vice presidents, deans, and faculty, normally without remuneration or authority. Persons who have been granted emeritus status, however, may be reappointed for part-time service after official retirement in accordance with System policies and regulations.

Emeritus status is conferred upon individuals who have made significant contributions to the university through long and distinguished service. To be considered for emeritus status, a person must normally hold a tenured faculty appointment and have served the university for at least 10 years. In appropriate situations, however, non-tenured faculty, administrators, and those who have served less than 10 years may be considered.

When an individual is to be considered for emeritus status, the candidate's department or unit head will work with the appropriate tenure and promotion committee to prepare a dossier in support of the candidate's nomination. Steps in the review and recommendation process include: departmental tenured faculty members, department head, dean of the college, provost and vice president for academic affairs, and the president. The president's recommendation is sent to the chancellor, who makes a recommendation to the board of regents for consideration. See A&M-Commerce Procedure 31.08.01.R2 for details on the selection procedure as well as privileges available to individuals awarded emeritus status.