Unit-Specific guidelines for the appointment of Regular Faculty to the Graduate Faculty
Department of Pharmacy Administration
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As stated in the University’s Graduate Faculty Policy, Graduate Faculty appointments for Support Faculty and Research Graduate Faculty shall follow the Graduate Council guidelines. Also, appointment to the Graduate Faculty shall be automatic for Regular Faculty who qualify under the conditions noted in the Graduate Faculty Policy and guidelines in that Policy for awarding each Graduate Faculty designation shall apply. This means that those Regular Faculty who do not already have Full Graduate Faculty membership (i.e., Regular Faculty at Assistant Professor rank) would qualify for Full Graduate Faculty membership by virtue of promotion to Associate Professor.

The Unit-Specific guidelines for the Department of Pharmacy Administration extend the Graduate Council guidelines to allow Regular Faculty holding the rank of Assistant Professor to hold Full Graduate Faculty membership (and therefore to be allowed to independently direct dissertations) upon meeting the following three minimum criteria: 1) hold a terminal doctoral degree in an appropriate discipline, 2) have served as a co-chair on a dissertation for at least one year in their current appointment or a previous appointment, and 3) receive approvals from (a) a majority of Full Graduate Faculty members in the Department, (b) the Department Chair, (c) the Dean of the School of Pharmacy (or their designee), and (d) the Dean of the Graduate School. To be considered for early appointment as a Full member of the Graduate Faculty, the applying assistant professor must assemble the material below for consideration and discussion by the above-named individuals:

1. An updated version of the faculty member’s curriculum vitae
2. A brief (1-page) overview of how becoming a full member of the Graduate Faculty will assist with the faculty member’s goals and objectives
3. Number of Master’s committees served on
4. Number of PhD committees served on
5. Number of PhD committees co-chaired
6. Any other supporting documentation