

Appendix I

Teaching Portfolio (University System)

A. Teaching Evaluation

The teaching portfolio is composed of a variety of materials related to teaching and advising collected and maintained by the faculty member. It serves as an instrument for review, evaluation, and improvement of teaching and advising. The teaching portfolio enables faculty to describe their teaching assignments, methods, and circumstances, which - of necessity - vary widely in a complex university environment. The portfolio concept encourages faculty to submit a variety of materials that describe, explain, and assess teaching, advising, and related activities. Just as publications, extramural grants, and peer evaluations testify to the nature and quality of a faculty member's research, materials contained in the portfolio document the nature and quality of a faculty member's teaching and advising.

The following items are required for documentation of teaching:

1. A brief reflective statement by the instructor which describes teaching and advising assignments, sets forth philosophies or objectives, and provides whatever information may be necessary to provide colleagues with a context for interpreting and understanding the other evaluative information.
2. For each semester under review, a list of all courses taught, with the title, course number, number of students enrolled, and - for each different course - a short description.
3. Representative course syllabi.
4. A quantitative and qualitative summary of student evaluations.

The following items are suggested but not required:

1. Materials prepared for teaching activities, such as assignments, exercises, handouts, examinations or other assessment materials.
2. Indicators of student learning: such as examples of graded work; reference to students who succeed in advanced courses of study and/or who earn academic awards; accomplishments of former students; evident of learning by use of pre-and post-testing procedures.
3. Evidence of peer regard: colleague class visitation reports; peer evaluations of course content, materials, assignments, and practices.
4. Documentation of teaching-related activity: curriculum and course development; consulting work; innovative teaching methods; participation in teaching programs of other units or at other universities.
5. Evidence of recognition: teaching related grants; publications related to teaching and advising; teaching awards and honors.
6. Enumeration and description of work with individual students: supervision of Honors students, graduate students, independent or experiential learning; consultation with students outside the department.

B. Advising Evaluation

Where advising is a portion of the faculty member's usual assignment, evaluation should include the extent of advising and its quality along with an indication of the grounds for evaluation.

The portfolio must include the following items:

1. A section of the reflective statement which describes the nature and extent of advising and any other information necessary to provide colleagues with a context for evaluation of advising.
2. For each semester under review, the number and level of undergraduate and graduate program advises, and a list of masters and doctoral students for whom the instructor served as a member of a thesis or advisory committee.
3. A list of those students for whom the professor served as preceptor, or director of a thesis or dissertation.
4. Summary of activities associated with student organizations and service on student-faculty committees.
5. Student evaluation of advising.

The following item is suggested but not required:

Evaluation of advising by unit colleagues or administrators.