

RESEARCH TITLE SERIES (see individual position descriptions)		
Research Assistant Professor	Research Associate Professor	Research Professor
<p>A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS For appointment, reappointment or promotion person will present evidence of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An earned doctorate in nursing or a related field 2. Active Kentucky licensure as a registered nurse, if applicable 3. Potential to demonstrate independent capability for conducting reliable research supported through contracts, grants, or other designated funds 4. Show potential for professional growth in the field of research 	<p>A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS For appointment, reappointment or promotion person will meet the requirements for Assistant Professor rank and demonstrate professional growth in field of research</p>	<p>A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS For appointment, reappointment or promotion, person will meet general requirements, including demonstrating professional growth in field of research</p>
<p>B. TEACHING/ADVISING/OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES Not required unless indicated in position description; if required see Assistant Professor criteria for Regular Title Series</p>	<p>B. TEACHING/ADVISING/OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES Not required unless indicated in position description; if required see Associate Professor criteria for Regular Title Series</p>	<p>B. TEACHING/ADVISING/OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES Not required unless indicated in position description; if required see Professor criteria for Regular Title Series</p>
<p>C. RESEARCH/CREATIVE PRODUCTIVITY Assist with, and initiate own, program of funded research</p>	<p>C. RESEARCH/CREATIVE PRODUCTIVITY</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continuous improvement and contribution in research as evidenced by presentations, publications, consultations, grant development, and funding 2. Regional and National reputation in research¹¹ 3. Mentorship of others in research 	<p>C. RESEARCH/CREATIVE PRODUCTIVITY</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Outstanding achievements in research supported by grants or contracts 2. Outstanding contributions in research as evidenced by presentations, publications, consultations, grant development and funding 3. National and International reputation in research 4. Mentorship of others in research
<p>D. SERVICE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. University/College, as indicated in position description and as elected or appointed² 2. Public, as indicated in position description 3. Profession, membership in appropriate professional organization(s) 	<p>D. SERVICE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. University/College, as indicated in position description and as elected or appointed² 2. Public, as indicated in position description 3. Profession, membership in appropriate professional organization(s) 	<p>D. SERVICE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. University/College, as indicated in position description and as elected or appointed² 2. Public, as indicated in position description 3. Profession, membership in appropriate professional organization(s)
<p>E. PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION Local reputation in research area</p>	<p>E. PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION State or Regional reputation in research area¹¹</p>	<p>1. PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION National or International reputation for excellence in research area</p>

¹Faculty are encouraged to use a teaching portfolio, student evaluations, and/or peer evaluations to document teaching effectiveness and excellence.

²Full-time faculty are expected to submit their name annually for two College of Nursing standing committees; the Faculty Council constructs the ballot and there is the potential that the faculty member will be elected to serve on 2 committees. In addition to standing committees, full-time faculty are encouraged to volunteer to serve on Task Forces. Part-time faculty service is based on time allocated according to individual work assignments.

³Terminal degree for the College of Nursing is the doctorate in nursing or related field. The doctorate degrees in nursing include PhD, DNP, DNS, DSN, DNSc. The recognized doctorate degrees in related fields include the PhD and practice doctorates, e.g., DrPH, JD, EdD. (Definition applies to faculty who are nurses.)

⁴Terminal degree specified for associate or full graduate status as recommended by the Medical Center Clinical Sciences Area Committee in October 2008.

⁵Waiver of the terminal degree requirement includes: (i) the positive majority vote of the tenured and tenure-eligible faculty in the educational unit who are at or above the rank of Assistant Professor, (ii) the positive recommendation of the unit administrator and college dean, (iii) the positive recommendation of the appropriate Academic Area Advisory Committee, and the approval of the Provost. Please note that individual without a terminal degree will not be promoted beyond the Assistant Professor level.

⁶Faculty are encouraged to include a mentoring statement in their promotion and tenure dossier that documents their views on mentoring, availability and interest in student learning, and evidence that students seek their advice. Faculty may include letters from students and peers that provide evidence of student mentoring.

⁷Clinical practice definitions refined per feedback from the Medical Center Clinical Sciences Area Committee in October 2008.

⁸Faculty are expected to have developed expertise in a specialty area(s) beyond their baccalaureate education. Examples of specialty areas include, but are not limited to, oncology, informatics, advanced practice, innovative pedagogy, for example, simulation.

⁹Option exists for College to present evidence that individual without appropriate degree meets teaching certification qualification; requires Dean and Provost approval.

¹⁰Reference to the complete College of Nursing Scholarship document.

¹¹Regional level is defined as “relating to or coming from a particular part of the country or world”. (<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/us/dictionary/english/regional>)

¹²Local level is defined as “of, relating to, or characteristics of a particular place: not general or widespread”. (<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/local>)

¹³Per the Kentucky Board of Nursing requirements, all faculty teaching in the undergraduate program are required to have a degree in nursing.

¹⁴The ratio of Lecturers to Tenure Track faculty should be no more than .60; approved by Faculty September 2022.

¹⁵The ratio of Clinical Title Series faculty to Tenure Track faculty should be no more than .70; approved by faculty April 2020.

NOTES:

1. Criteria for Appointment, Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure by Title Series and Evidence of High Merit approved by College of Nursing Faculty April 2008.
2. Members of the 2007 and 2008 Merit Task Force included Lynne Jensen, Jane Kirschling, Gina Lowry, Debra Moser, Melanie Hardin-Pierce, Leslie Scott, Ruth Staten, and Darlene Welsh.
3. Revisions to Criteria for Appointment, Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure by Title Series approved by College of Nursing Faculty March 2010.
4. Criteria for Appointment, Reappointment and Promotion for Part-time Faculty with a Work Assignment $\geq 75\%$ approved by College of Nursing Faculty March 2010.
5. College of Nursing terminal degree definition and percentage of lecturers approved by faculty vote November 2010.
6. Evidence of High Merit for College of Nursing revised and removed as a separate document from Criteria for Appointment, Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure by Title Series document March 2011.
7. Revisions to Criteria for Appointment, Reappointment and Tenure by Title Series approved by College of Nursing Faculty November, 2019.