CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING MEMBERSHIP
IN THE GRADUATE FACULTY

DEPARTMENT OF THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE

1. Recommendations for membership in the Graduate Faculty will originate with Committee A of the Department of the History of Science, which will serve as the Graduate Faculty Committee. This committee will insure that rigorous criteria are applied consistently to maintain the highest standards of quality in the Graduate Faculty.

2. To be appointed as a member of the Graduate Faculty of the Department of the History of Science at the M2 level, a faculty member must have a doctoral degree, normally a Ph.D. degree. Adjunct faculty whose highest degree is the Master’s may be recommended for appointment at the M1 level, renewable annually. Such cases will be evaluated as the need arises. Both M1 and M2 faculty must possess research accomplishments meeting high professional standards.

3. With the approval of Committee A, faculty who have been admitted to the Graduate Faculty at the M1 level may teach graduate courses at the 5000-level and serve on Master’s committees and direct Master’s theses. Graduate Faculty at the M2 level may in addition teach 6000-level courses and serve on doctoral committees. Graduate Faculty members who meet the criteria stated in paragraph four may also serve as Doctoral Dissertation Director (M3).

4. Graduate Faculty members who direct Doctoral Dissertations must be actively involved in research activities, and must show a record of ongoing research accomplishment. Recommendations for eligibility to direct Doctoral Dissertations will be based on thorough evaluation of evidence of scholarly achievement and professional performance related to research. Eligibility will normally be established by meeting any one of the following three qualifications during the previous five-year period:

   a) publication of a book or monograph of scholarly merit (Publication of an edited text may be considered a monograph, when in Committee A's judgment the editor's original scholarly contribution is of major proportion);

   b) publication of three items of scholarly merit from among any of the following categories:
      i. journal articles
      ii. book chapter
      iii. edited books, or editions of texts, with introduction, commentary, or other scholarly apparatus
      iv. essay reviews
      v. other research publications judged by Committee A to qualify as contributions to scholarship (e.g., annotated bibliographies, reference work articles);

   c) publication of two items of scholarly merit from the categories named in (b) above, as well as evidence of scholarly achievement in two of the following:
      i. scholarly presentations: at national or international meetings
      ii. scholarly book reviews
      iii. refereeing of book or article manuscripts for reputable presses or journals
      iv. reviewing of research proposals for granting agencies or fellowship panels
      v. activity on editorial boards
      vi. successful application for grant or fellowship support for research
      vii. other research-related activity judged by Committee A to qualify as evidence of engagement in research (e.g., consulting related to research)

Authors of scholarly work in new media (e.g., electronic media or film) may petition Committee A to consider such work as partially or wholly fulfilling the requirements for appointment to the graduate faculty.

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