

Instruction Council Hiring Prioritization Process 2017/2018

Hiring Prioritization Information Packet

The Instruction Office and the co-chairs of the Instruction Council collaborate to produce the “Hiring Prioritization Information Packet” and distribute the packet immediately following the second Instruction Council meeting in the fall semester each year. The HPIP contains the following:

- Deadlines for the Hiring Prioritization process and for material submissions
- All instructions, forms, and proposed rubric used in the current year’s prioritization process
- The Instructional Outlook Report (prepared by the College Council)
- Data Elements for Trend Analysis Report (prepared by the College Research office)

Instructional Outlook Report (IOR)

The College Council will create the Institutional Outlook Report for each fall Hiring Prioritization process. The Instructional Outlook Report informs both the proposal and ranking processes. Faculty and Deans should use the report to strengthen each Faculty Hire Proposal. The Instruction Council members should use the report to inform their analysis of each proposal in order to score/rank positions. The Instructional Outlook Report will define areas for assessment on the Position Ranking Score Sheet. The areas may include, but are not limited to:

- Potential for student demand to be met by alleviating enrollment bottlenecks
- Establishing or maintaining an innovative program driven by community needs
- Potential for improving the overall student success at the college
- Need to address significant achievement gaps

Mandated Positions

A mandated position is defined as such when a program is required, by state, federal or local regulations, to maintain a number of faculty members in order to operate and award degrees or certificates. If the college is not compliant with the regulation, the program cannot be offered. Mandated positions are not defined by suggested faculty ratios cited by professional discipline organizations.

Ranking Process

Divisions will identify up to 5 IOR Positions and complete a Faculty Hire Proposal Form for each position. Each year the Instruction Council will determine the number of presentations per division that are needed to meet IOR goals and growth.

1. The maximum length of each proposal is one page (no less than 10 point font). Regardless of availability of different funding sources, divisions may only submit the agreed upon total of proposals. The IOR positions are ranked by division members and the ranking/forms are forwarded by the dean to the Instruction Office for collation and distribution to the Instruction Council.
2. The Instruction Office compiles a packet of completed Faculty Hire Proposal Forms for IOR Positions, including division ranking order lists. The packets are distributed to the Instruction Council. Deans/division spokespersons present the merits for each IOR Position Proposal from their respective areas at a meeting of the Instruction Council (see below).

3. After the presentation meeting, the Instruction Council Members review and score each IOR Position Proposal by using the Hiring Prioritization Scoring Form. Instruction Council Members use the Instructional Outlook Report as a resource when performing the analysis on each proposal.

4. Instruction Council Members individually submit their rankings and scores for the IOR Position Proposals. The faculty co-chair's ranking and scores will only be used to break ranking ties when needed. The Instruction Office compiles both the rankings and the scores and the results are shared with the IC membership. The results of the Instruction Council membership ranking process are discussed, and the final list is approved and forwarded to the College Council, the Academic Senate, and the College President.

IOR Position Presentations

Each division will be allowed a maximum of 15 minutes (maximum of 5 minutes per position). The presentation must include references to the Data Elements for Trend Analysis Report citing the benefits of hiring the proposed position. The Data Elements for Trend Analysis Report will include data from the previous three years and will be prepared by the college research area and placed in a standardized format for the Instruction Council to review when ranking.

The data elements are the following):

- Number of Full Time Faculty Members in Discipline
- FTEF
- Number of Program Sections
- Number of Sections and Percentage Taught by Adjunct Instructors
- Number of Sections and Percentage Taught by Full-Time Instructors
- Number of FTES the Program Generated in the Previous Fall Semester
- Instruction Cost Per FTES (Instructional Cost Analysis Report)
- Student Success Data
- Retention Rate
- Success Rate
- Disproportionate Impact Data
- Fill Rates
- WSCH/FTEF
- Number of Majors
- Number of Degrees / Certificates Awarded Each Year
- Student to Faculty Ratio (for non-instructional programs, if applicable)
- Full Time to Part Time Faculty Ratio (for non-instructional programs, if applicable)

IC Scoring Rubric

Each fall the Instruction Council will create the new scoring rubric based on the Instructional Outlook Report. In spring, the Instruction Council will review the effectiveness of that year's scoring rubric.

Emergency Temporary Hires

Emergency hires can be considered up to one year. For both planned and unplanned faculty separations that are announced or occur after September 30th a Full-time Emergency Hire Position can be requested by the dean and reviewed by the appropriate Vice President at any time. Criteria that may be used in the decision making process include the availability of adjunct instructors in the discipline, number of sections / students affected, loss of FTES generation, impact to student success, practicality of filling the position in a timely manner, and the overall college budget picture. The Vice President and President will meet in order to review the request. A brief rationale for the approval or denial of the request will be provided to the dean and Instruction Council.

In the event of an untimely faculty death the position will be considered as a replacement position during the next cycle of hiring prioritization.

Retirement Announcement Timeline and On-Cycle Replacement Proposals

The deadline for announcing a retirement is September 30th each year. This applies to faculty members who intend to retire at the end of the spring semester or the end of the following fall semester. For instance, a faculty member wishing to retire at the end of the spring semester in 2017 must announce their retirement by September 30, 2016. The replacement faculty for this example would be hired for the 2017---2018 academic year. Likewise, a faculty member wishing to retire in December of 2017 must announce their retirement by September 30, 2016. The replacement faculty for this example would be hired for the 2018---2019 academic year.

The Instruction Council will meet during the fall semester in order to review and approve the Replacement Position proposals forwarded from their respective divisions. The list of Replacement Positions will then be forwarded to the College Council, the Academic Senate, and the College President.

Off-Cycle Replacement Requests

If the September 30th announcement deadline is not met, the vacated position will be considered and acted upon by Deans' Cabinet. The administrative process will include analysis of a completed Faculty Hire Proposal Form and will reflect consideration of the Instructional Outlook Report priorities and the Instruction Council's IOR positions' ranking list. The faculty co-chair of the Instruction Council will participate in the administrative discussions. Deans' Cabinet will forward positions on a consent agenda to the Instruction Council.

Important Hiring Prioritization Process Timelines

Replacement Positions

- September 30th – Deadline to submit notification of retirement to secure replacement position
- October 3rd – Electronic notice to deans to develop list of confirmed retirements and requested replacement Positions
- October 14th – Retiree/Replacement list due to Office of Instruction
- October 18th – Replacement list goes to Instruction Council

IOR Positions

- October 27th – Forms requesting IOR positions due to Instruction Office
- November 4th – Requests for IOR positions discussed in Instruction Council
- November 15th - Final Instruction Council discussion, rankings and recommendation forwarded to College Council

