

Basic Scientist

TENURE PATHWAY

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR TO
PROFESSOR

Name: _____ Date: _____ Dept.: _____

General Information and Goals Worksheet

Mentee: Please prepare the following along with this form:

- Time and Effort Worksheet (use the form appropriate for your appointment)
- Promotion Criteria Worksheet (use the form appropriate for your appointment)
- Complete and updated CV

1. What is your current Rank?

- _____ Instructor
- _____ Assistant Professor
- _____ Associate Professor

2. What is your current Pathway?

- _____ Basic Scientist Tenure
- _____ Basic Scientist Non-Tenure
- _____ Clinical Scientist Tenure
- _____ Clinical Scientist Non-Tenure
- _____ Clinical Educator Tenure
- _____ Clinical Educator Non-Tenure
- _____ Clinical Attending

3. When were you appointed to this Rank and Pathway? _____

4. In what year do you plan on applying for promotion to the next Rank? _____

5. What are your plans for the upcoming year?

a. Research project goals

b. Anticipated publications (indicate projected titles)

c. Anticipated meeting or workshop attendance

- d. Funding applications planned (indicate name of award)

 - e. Other professional training (course work, teaching activities)

 - f. Clinical practice goals

 - g. Clinical research goals (papers submitted, projects initiated)
6. What are your career goals?
- a. Current career goals?

 - b. What further research activity or other training is needed before it is appropriate to go up for promotion to the next rank?

 - c. Are there any perceived barriers that limit your capacity for promotion? Explain.

Criteria for Appointment and Promotion on each Compensated Pathway
(As is written in the Promotion and Tenure Criteria and Guidelines 2018)

The ability of the College to meet its mission is dependent on the successful participation of every faculty member, regardless of assigned academic pathway. The seven academic pathways exist because the scope of academic medicine is very broad. The pathways help individual faculty members and the College Promotion and Tenure Committee categorize and assess the accomplishments of each faculty member. The pathways adequately describe the expected contributions of the majority of the College's faculty members. There are, however, individuals who contribute significantly to the College whose work is not easily characterized by any of the pathways. It is the responsibility of the Department Chairs and the Dean to appoint these individuals, on a case-by-case basis, to the pathway that best fits their expertise, career goals and expected contributions. It is the shared responsibility of these individuals and their Department Chairs to ensure that when these faculty members seek promotion and/or tenure, the value of their contributions is adequately assessed by peers from within and without the College who can clarify for the College's Promotion and Tenure Committee whether these individuals have satisfied the criteria for promotion, appreciating that their field of expertise and expected scholarly contributions are not perfectly described by the criteria of their assigned pathway.

Each physician who is appointed on a clinical pathway and who is involved in the care of patients is expected to achieve and maintain certification in his/her cognate specialty and/or subspecialty board(s). For appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor, a faculty member who has recently completed residency is expected to be on a defined path, approved by the Department Chair, for board certification. Faculty members who trained abroad and who are not eligible for United States board certification are expected to have attained the equivalent of US board certification in the country in which they trained, as determined by the Department Chair. Those faculty members who are not eligible for US maintenance of board certification are expected to demonstrate to the College Promotion and Tenure Committee, by other means, their ongoing commitment to the maintenance of their clinical excellence.

Each psychologist who is appointed on a clinical pathway and who is involved in the care of patients is expected to maintain his/her state license and manifest ongoing commitment to the maintenance of clinical excellence.

Four tables presented herein specify the College's expectations for appointment or promotion at the ranks of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and Professor on the seven compensated pathways. These tables must be interpreted within the context of this entire document and do not stand alone. In all domains of academic work, the quality of an individual's contributions is of critical importance. Guidance is given in these tables about the generally expected quantity of an individual's contributions. However quantity is not a substitute for quality. The College appreciates, for example, that some individuals will dedicate themselves to extensive periods of study that result in fewer but very important and high quality science and related publications than are stipulated in these guidelines. Several measures of the quality and importance of such contributions, including and not limited to

recognition by experts in an individual's field of expertise, will be helpful to the College Promotion and Tenure Committee in assessing such individual's fulfillment of the criteria for promotion.

The required letters of recommendation from experts within the candidate's field, referenced within the following tables, must be written by academic authorities who have neither trained nor employed the candidate (e.g., letter authors must have been neither teachers, thesis advisors, residency program directors, fellowship program directors, major mentors, supervisors nor employers of the person requesting promotion and/or tenure). Letters of recommendation in addition to those required may be submitted from individuals who have taught and/or employed the candidate if these add substantially to the dossier.

All faculty members, regardless of rank or pathway, are expected to conduct themselves professionally at all times and to promote the institutional core values of integrity, respect, teamwork, creativity, and excellence.

Full Promotion and Tenure Guidelines can be located on the Office of Faculty Affairs website at <https://faculty.uams.edu/promotionandtenure>

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Promotion Criteria Worksheet: Basic Scientist Tenure Pathway
Associate Professor to Full Professor

Mentor: Please indicate whether the candidate is “Likely” or “Unlikely” to full fill the following criteria by the time of planned promotion and provide comments.

Category	Criteria	Likely	Unlikely	Comments
Qualifications	Service to all mission areas of the College as an Associate Professor with a record of outstanding contributions in at least two of the following three mission areas: research/scholarly activity, teaching/mentoring, and contributions to academic service. Typically the two areas of outstanding contributions are research/scholarly activity and teaching/mentoring.			
Teaching/Mentoring	Continued high quality teaching in the activities of the College, as specified for Associate Professor			
	Continued participation in mentoring activities, with evidence of effective mentoring including documented success of mentees; co-authorship of abstracts, manuscripts, and funding applications.			
	Continued evidence of local, regional, national, and/or international teaching influence			

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Teaching/Mentoring	For the Basic Scientist whose major emphasis is teaching, evaluations from learners & peers documenting that the individual is an outstanding teacher.			
	For the Basic Scientists whose major emphasis is teaching, the candidate should show evidence of continued seeking of extramural financial support for educational activities & innovations as the PI or Co-I, and publish the peer reviewed results of the innovative educational activities			
Research/Scholarly Work	Robust record of extramural funding for research as demonstrated by being awarded at least two major extramural research grants (e.g., R01 or equivalent) or a single major grant that has been competitively renewed, or alternatively continued substantial and clearly documented contributions as a Co-I on multiple extramurally funded research grants.			

Category	Criteria	Likely	Unlikely	Comments
Research/Scholarly Work	Evidence of outstanding contributions to the individual's field(s) of expertise with typically 30 – 50 peer reviewed journal publications of original and innovative research findings of basic, clinical or translational studies, on roughly half of which the individual is first or senior author. Note that the quality of the publications will be considered to be as important as the quantity.			
	Regional, national and typically international reputation for excellence in research/scholarly activity with recognition as being an authority in one's area(s) of expertise.			
	National and/or international invitations to present one's research findings			
Leadership/Administrative Service	Demonstration of leadership in department or institution			
	Active involvement in appropriate administrative committees in the College and/or University, including service as chair of some committees			
	Leadership, service or committee work for regional, national or international professional organizations			
	Service, sometimes as chair, on study sections and equivalent bodies that review major grant proposals (e.g., NIH, NSF, major foundations review panels)			

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Leadership/Administrative Service	Service on external advisory committees of other academic institutions and/or commercial firms			
	For the Basic Scientist whose major emphasis is teaching – long-standing leadership of one or more major graduate or medical student courses and/or administrative leadership at the College level in curriculum planning & implementation			
Professional Recognition	The Department Chair, on behalf of a candidate for promotion to Professor, must present to the Promotion & Tenure Committee at least three letters of recommendation, based on assessment of the candidate’s contributions to academic medicine, from recognized authorities in their field(s) outside UAMS, all Professors, who have neither trained nor employed the candidate.			