FACULTY AND ACADEMIC STAFF RULES AND PROCEDURES

PART I: WISCONSIN STATUTES AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE DEFINITIONS

The Constitution of the University Faculty and the University Academic Staff is based on Chapter 36 of the Wisconsin Statutes and on the Wisconsin Administrative Code: Rules of Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System (abbreviated UWS).

ARTICLE 1: WISCONSIN STATUTES

WISCONSIN STATUTE 36.09[3]
Chapter 36 of the Wisconsin Statutes defines, for the University of Wisconsin System, the primary responsibilities of chancellors in educational policy-making and in institutional governance:

(a) The chancellors shall be the executive heads of their respective faculties and institutions and shall be vested with the responsibility of administering board policies under the coordinating direction of the president and be accountable and report to the president and the board on the operation and administration of their institutions. Subject to board policy the chancellors of the institutions in consultation with their faculties shall be responsible for designing curricula and setting degree requirements; determining academic standards and establishing grading systems; defining and administering institutional standards for faculty peer evaluation and screening candidates for appointment, promotion and tenure; recommending individual merit increases; administering associated auxiliary services; and administering all funds, from whatever source, allocated, generated or intended for use of their institutions.

(b) The chancellor may designate a person as provost, to act as chief executive officer of the institution in the chancellor’s absence, if the person currently holds a limited appointment as vice chancellor, associate chancellor, assistant chancellor, associate vice chancellor or assistant vice chancellor. The chancellor may not create an additional administrative position for the purpose of this paragraph.

WISCONSIN STATUTE 36.09[4]
Chapter 36 of the Wisconsin Statutes defines, for the University of Wisconsin System, the primary responsibilities of faculty members in educational policy-making and in institutional governance:

The faculty of each institution, subject to the responsibilities and powers of the Board, the president and chancellor of such institution, shall be vested with the responsibility for the immediate governance of such institution and shall actively participate in institutional policy development. As such, the faculty shall have the primary responsibility for academic and educational activities and faculty personnel matters. The faculty of each institution shall have the right to determine their own faculty organizational structure and to select representatives to participate in institutional governance. (Wis. Stats. 36.09 [4])

WISCONSIN STATUTE 36.09[4M]
Chapter 36 of the Wisconsin Statutes defines, for the University of Wisconsin System, the primary responsibilities of academic staff members in institutional governance:

The academic staff members of each institution, subject to the responsibilities and powers of the board, the president and the chancellor and faculty of the institution, shall be active participants in the immediate governance of and policy development for the institution. The academic staff members have the primary responsibility for the formulation and review, and shall be represented in the development, of all policies and procedures concerning academic staff members, including academic staff personnel.
matters. The academic staff members of each institution shall have the right to organize themselves in a manner they determine and to select their representation to participate in institutional governance. (Wis. Stats. 36.09 [4m])

**WISCONSIN STATUTE 36.09[5]**
Chapter 36 of the Wisconsin Statutes defines, for the University of Wisconsin System, the primary responsibilities of students in institutional governance:

The students of each institution or campus subject to the responsibilities and powers of the board, the president, the chancellor and the faculty shall be active participants in the immediate governance of and policy development for such institutions. As such, students shall have primary responsibility for the formulation and review of policies concerning student life, services and interests. Students in consultation with the chancellor and subject to the final confirmation of the board shall have the responsibility for the disposition of those student fees which constitute substantial support for campus student activities. The students of each institution or campus shall have the right to organize themselves in a manner they determine and to select their representatives to participate in institutional governance.

**ARTICLE 2: ADMINISTRATIVE CODE DEFINITIONS**

The Wisconsin Administrative Code is a collection of state agency rules developed by the policy-making body of each State of Wisconsin agency under authority provided in the Wisconsin Statutes. The section of the Wisconsin Administrative Code pertaining to the University of Wisconsin System is officially entitled *Rules of Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System* (abbreviated UWS).

**UWS 1.01 ACADEMIC STAFF**

“Academic Staff” means professional and administrative personnel, other than faculty and classified staff, with duties and types of appointments that are primarily associated with higher education institutions or their administration.

**UWS 1.04 FACULTY**

"Faculty" means persons who hold the rank of professor, associate professor, assistant professor, or instructor in an academic department or its functional equivalent in an institution. The appointment of a member of the academic staff may be converted to a faculty appointment in accordance with UWS 3.01 (1)(c).

**UWS 1.05 FACULTY STATUS**

By action of the appropriate faculty body and Chancellor of an institution, members of the academic staff may be designated as having "faculty status." Faculty status means a right to participate in faculty governance of an institution in accordance with the rules of the institution. Faculty status does not confer rank or tenure or convert an academic staff appointment into a faculty appointment.