**3356-10-01 Hiring and selection process for full and part-time faculty.**

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(A) Policy statement. While the president has overall responsibility for the management of the university, the responsibility for decisions regarding hiring priorities and the employment of faculty are delegated to the provost/vice-president for academic affairs. All faculty personnel decisions shall be consistent with applicable legal requirements and university policies and procedures. Personnel actions will become effective upon approval by the board of trustees.

(B) Parameters.

(1) Recruitment to fill faculty positions shall be authorized by the provost/vice president for academic affairs. Faculty degree and credentials requirements should comply with higher learning commission (HLC) expectations.

(2) Recruitment activities must conform to the university’s equal opportunity and affirmative action procedures pursuant to rule 3356-2-02 of the Administrative Code (university policy 3356-2-02, “Equal opportunity and affirmative action recruitment and employment”). The executive director of equal opportunity may require additional search postings and/or processes pursuant to rule 3356-2-02 of the Administrative Code.

(3) Faculty are designated as having either full-time or part-time status. Part-time faculty supplement full-time faculty to meet departmental instructional needs. Only full-time tenure track faculty (probationary or degree completion) are eligible to apply for tenure.

(4) The official offer of employment for full-time faculty is made by the provost/vice president for academic affairs upon the recommendation of the college dean, the chairperson of the department, and the office of human resources.

(5) The chief human resources officer will submit a summary of all full-time faculty appointments to the board of trustees at the next regularly scheduled meeting for approval. Offers of employment for full-time faculty shall be contingent upon approval by the board of trustees; however, faculty may begin employment prior to the approval by the board of trustees.

(6) Each full-time faculty member will be assigned a home department, which shall be that department in which the majority of the person’s time is budgeted. In cases where the time assignment is evenly distributed, the home department shall be the department where the person holds academic rank.

(7) Except for department chairpersons (who are excluded from the bargaining unit), the types of contracts and terms and conditions of employment of full-time faculty are outlined in the “Agreement between Youngstown State University and Youngstown State University Chapter of the Ohio Education Association.”

(8) Faculty responsibilities of departmental chairpersons are described in the “Department Chair Handbook” found on the [office of academic affairs web page](https://ysu.edu/provost/academic-division-forms).

(9) Part-time faculty members are appointed by the appropriate college dean upon the recommendation of the department chairperson and subject to review by the provost/vice president for academic affairs. Such appointments are for one academic term or a portion thereof. For purposes of compliance with the Revised Code and the state constitution regarding the hiring and the appointment of employees, including part-time faculty, the board of trustees designates the provost/vice president for academic affairs as the hiring authority for part-time faculty. The provost/vice president for academic affairs will ensure that the board of trustees receive information regarding the use of part-time faculty on an annual basis.

(10) Part-time faculty members may teach up to eleven workload hours each fall or spring semester and up to eighteen workload hours per academic year. To go beyond these limits, the department chairperson must request a written waiver from the provost/vice-president for academic affairs using the “Part-Time Faculty Workload Waiver Request” found on the [office of academic affairs web page](https://ysu.edu/provost/academic-division-forms). The provost/vice-president for academic affairs, or designee, will grant a waiver when it is in the best interest of the university.

(11) Part-time faculty members are paid on the basis of workload hours taught and highest earned degree held. The rate of pay is identified in the university’s annual operating budget which is approved by the board of trustees.

(12) After consultation with the dean, the decision to have a part-time faculty member teach multiple sections of a course within one section (also referred to as stacking courses) and employ a virtual assistant (VA) will be at the discretion of the department chairperson who oversees the course. The department chairperson will share their decision with the part-time faculty member prior to the course beginning. Part-time faculty members will be eligible for virtual assistant related compensation as supplemental pay in the same manner as full-time faculty members.

(13) All part-time faculty members must be entered as an active employee in the banner system before commencing instruction in the classroom. To be considered an active employee, the individual must complete the entire hiring process with the office of human resources, be approved through the HLC credentialing process with the office of academic affairs and be listed as the instructor of record in the schedule of classes.

If the individual is not yet classified as an active employee by the first day of classes, a temporary replacement must be assigned to the course(s) until the process is completed. The replacement must be the college dean, department chairperson, a qualified full-time faculty member, or a part-time faculty member who has been approved through the HLC credentialing process. The department chairperson will be responsible for communicating with the office of human resources and the office of academic affairs as to whom has been assigned as the temporary replacement(s) and ensuring that new faculty members do not begin teaching until the entire process is completed.

(14) Procedures, benefits, and other matters affecting part-time faculty members are found in the “Part-time Faculty Manual” found on the [office of academic affairs web page](https://ysu.edu/provost/academic-division-forms).

(15) Cross-reference. For information about faculty with graduate status, see rule 3356-10-02 of the Administrative Code (university policy 3356-10-02, “Graduate faculty”). For information about adjunct faculty, see rule 3356-10-09 of the Administrative Code (university policy 3356-10-09, “Voluntary services adjunct faculty”).