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REAPPOINTMENT, TENURE, AND PROMOTION (RTP)
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University Policy
The Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion (RTP) policy for California State University, Long Beach establishes the mission, vision, and guiding principles for the evaluation of tenured and probationary faculty members (including coaches, librarians, and Counseling and Psychological Services faculty) eligible for reappointment, tenure, and promotion. The university RTP policy also specifies the process by which faculty work shall be evaluated.

1.0 GUIDING PRINCIPLES
1.1 University Mission and Vision
California State University, Long Beach is a diverse, student-centered, globally-engaged public university committed to providing highly-valued undergraduate and graduate educational opportunities through superior teaching; research, scholarly and creative activities (RSCA); and service for the people of California and the world. CSULB envisions changing lives by expanding educational opportunities, championing creativity, and preparing leaders for a changing world.

1.2 Guiding Principles of Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion (RTP)
1.2.1 A faculty dedicated to excellence in teaching, scholarship, creativity, and service is essential to accomplishing the university’s articulated mission and vision. CSULB faculty members integrate the results of their RSCA into their teaching, thereby invigorating and enhancing student learning. Faculty members are expected to make significant and ongoing contributions to the department, college, university, community, and the profession.

1.2.2 Decisions regarding reappointment, tenure, and promotion (RTP) are among the most important made by our university community. RTP decisions must be clear, fair, and unbiased at all levels of review. Faculty achievements may vary from those of colleagues yet still meet the standards for reappointment, tenure, or promotion. The RTP process must ensure that excellence will be rewarded and that faculty members who meet department, college, and university standards and expectations will have an opportunity for advancement.

1.2.3 Faculty members shall be evaluated on the quality of their achievements and the impact of their contributions over the period of review in: 1) instruction and instructionally-related activities; 2) RSCA; 3) service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession. All faculty members will be evaluated on the basis of all three areas.
1.2.4 This policy should not be construed to prevent innovation or adjustment in workload (with respect to teaching, RSCA, or service) based upon faculty expertise and accomplishment; department and college needs; and university mission.
College of the Arts Policy
Designed to work in concert with the CSULB RTP Policy, the COTA policy on reappointment, tenure and promotion further defines and guides the RTP process specifically for the College of the Arts, and provides parameters within which departments may still further define and guide the process as appropriate to specific disciplines.
All references to CSULB RTP Policy numbers in this document are to sections and subsections of the 2009 CSULB RTP Policy (Academic Senate Policy Statement 09-10).

1.0 GUIDING PRINCIPLES
1.1 COTA Mission and Vision
The mission of the College of the Arts is to provide a dynamic, contemporary learning environment that honors tradition, embraces diversity, inspires innovation, and strives for excellence. Our faculty of artists, educators, and scholars is committed to challenging students intellectually, creatively, and professionally, while encouraging them to find their individual artistic voices. The College produces and brings the highest level of art, teaching, and scholarship to our community in the form of concerts, exhibitions and installations, films, performances, publications, and emerging media.

1.2 Guiding Principles of Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion (RTP)
1.2.1 The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.1.

1.2.2 The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.2 and adds the following.
Because of the broad diversity of instructional approaches and instructionally related activity; research, scholarly, and creative activity (RSCA); and service contributions in a college whose departments—Art, Dance, Design, Film and Electronic Arts, Music, and Theatre Arts—include faculty in arts criticism, arts education, arts history, arts practice, and arts theory, RTP standards must establish a consistent level of expectation while allowing candidates to meet expectations in varied ways.

1.2.3 The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.3 and adds the following.
The College of the Arts expects sustained and substantive achievements and contributions over the specified period of review in: (1) instruction and instructionally related activities, (2) RSCA, and (3) service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession.

1.2.4 The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.4 and adds the following.
The College of the Arts recognizes that every candidate is unique, and that the specifics of a position, a discipline, a program, and a department will result in candidate files with differing balances and overall levels of achievement and contribution in the three areas of (1) instruction and instructionally related activities, (2) RSCA, and (3) service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession.

1.2.5 The integrity of the RTP process depends upon the accuracy, honesty, thoroughness, consistency, discretion, and strict confidence of all individuals involved in the process. Concerns about actions that violate this core principle should be reported immediately to the Associate Vice President for Faculty Affairs.

1.2.6 The RTP process is governed and guided by the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA); university, college, and department RTP policies; related policies of the Academic Senate; and procedural documents issued by the university (Faculty Affairs), the college, and departments. Concerns about actions in violation of the CBA, RTP policies, Academic Senate policy, or procedural documents should be reported immediately to the Associate Vice President for Faculty Affairs.

DESIGN Department Policy
CSULB DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN
REAPPOINTMENT, TENURE, AND PROMOTION (RTP) POLICY
Designed to work in concert with the CSULB RTP and the COTA RTP policies, the Department of Design Policy identifies standards by which the work and contributions of the faculty in the department shall be evaluated.

1.0 GUIDING PRINCIPLES
1.1 Department of Design Mission and Vision
The mission of the Department of Design is to provide effective instructional programs that prepare the student designer for the global marketplace or for educational opportunities at the graduate level.

1.2 Guiding Principles of Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion (RTP)
1.2.1 The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.1. and the COTA Policy 1.2.1, and adds the following:

The Department of Design recognizes that the professional engagement (active involvement) of its faculty is essential to providing a high quality and challenging instructional experience and expects its faculty to maintain currency appropriate to their discipline(s).

1.2.2 The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.2 and the COTA RTP Policy 1.2.2. and adds the following.

The Department of Design offers a variety of programs including professional and liberal arts programs that differ in their philosophy, methods and results of
instruction. Faculty with expertise in Interior Design, Industrial Design, Design History and Theory, Environmental Communication Design, Display and Exhibition Design, Lighting Design, Furniture Design and other areas of design, may also differ in how they meet departmental standards. The RTP standards of the Department of Design establish a consistent level of engagement for all faculty while allowing them to achieve these standards in varied ways.

1.2.3 The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.3 and the COTA Policy 1.2.3.

1.2.4 The Department of Design concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 1.2.4 and the COTA RTP Policies 1.2.4-1.2.6, and adds the following.

In evaluating the performance of faculty, the Department of Design recognizes that each faculty member has different strengths. Candidates for recommended reappointment, tenure, and/or promotion need not have engagement or achievements that are necessarily alike. Candidates may demonstrate their engagement and achievements in different areas depending upon their professional interests. These varied achievements shall be evaluated for their contribution to the Department, College and/or University as a whole.

Section 2 RTP AREAS OF EVALUATION

University Policy

2.0 RTP AREAS OF EVALUATION

Colleges, departments, and other academic units are responsible for defining the standards of excellence and accompanying criteria for reappointment, tenure, and promotion in their various disciplines, consistent with the mission and needs of the university. RTP standards and criteria shall articulate expectations for faculty accomplishments in all three areas of evaluation: 1) instruction and instructionally-related activities; 2) RSCA; and 3) service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession.

2.1 Instruction and Instructionally-Related Activities

Faculty members are expected to demonstrate that they are effective teachers. Instruction and instructionally-related activities include teaching and fostering learning inside and outside the traditional classroom. Instructionally-related activities include, but are not limited to, curriculum development, academic and departmental advising, supervision of student research and fieldwork, direction of student performances and exhibitions, and related activities involving student learning and student engagement. Additional instructional activities may include, but are not limited to, student mentoring, study abroad, and thesis and project supervision.

2.1.1 Instructional Philosophy and Practice
Effective teaching requires that faculty members reflect on their teaching practices and assess their impact on student learning. Thoughtful, deliberate efforts to improve instructional effectiveness, which may result in adopting new teaching methodologies, are expected of all faculty members. Effective teaching also requires that faculty members engage in professional development activities associated with classroom and non-classroom assignments. Teaching methods should be consistent with course/curriculum goals and should accommodate student differences.

2.1.2 Student Learning Outcomes
Effective teaching requires that faculty members provide evidence of student learning. Instructional practices and course materials should clearly convey to students expected student outcomes and learning goals. Assessment methods should align with instructional practices.

2.1.3 Student Response to Instruction
In addition to evidence of teaching effectiveness as defined by department and college RTP policy documents, student course evaluations shall be used to evaluate student response to instruction. Student course evaluations alone do not provide sufficient evidence of teaching effectiveness. Utilization of the university standard evaluation form is only one method of presenting student response to learning and teaching effectiveness. Importantly, any single item on this form—or the entire form, by itself and in isolation from other information—does not provide sufficient evidence of teaching effectiveness.

2.2 Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities (RSCA)
Departments and colleges shall develop their own definitions, standards, and criteria for the evaluation of RSCA. The University RTP policy provides a guiding framework for this charge.
Faculty members are expected to make significant and ongoing contributions of substance in RSCA throughout their careers. All faculty members are expected to produce quality RSCA achievements that contribute to the advancement, application, or pedagogy of the discipline or interdisciplinary studies. Academic disciplines vary in the meaning, scope, and practice of RSCA. Evidence of research, scholarly and creative activities and accomplishments includes, but is not limited to, publications of merit reviewed by professional peers, scholarly presentations, fellowships, grants, contracts, scholarship of engagement, and artistic exhibits and performances. These achievements must be reviewed by professional peers and disseminated to appropriate audiences.

2.3 Service
Quality service contributions and activities are necessary to ensure and enhance the quality of programs and activities at the university, in the community, and in the profession. All faculty members are expected to participate in the collegial processes of faculty governance and to maintain active engagement within the university, community, and profession through quality service contributions and activities throughout their career. Meaningful service should be related to the academic
expertise and rank of the faculty member. Departments and colleges shall develop their own standards and criteria for the evaluation of quality service. These standards and criteria shall be based in a comparative evaluation of responsibility and commitment across service obligations at the department, college, and university levels. Departments and colleges shall then make clear to the candidate what types of service are appropriate to faculty rank and experience. Examples of service contributions may include, but are not limited to, leadership roles in faculty governance activities and committees; authorship of reports and other materials pertinent to university, college, or department policies and procedures; ongoing advising of student groups; service or leadership activities for professional organizations or boards; conducting external evaluations; and consulting in public schools, local government, and community organizations.

**College of the Arts Policy**

**2.0 RTP AREAS OF EVALUATION**

The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 2.0 and adds the following. The criteria for evaluation for each of the three areas of professional review (instruction and instructionally related activities, RSCA, and service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession) describe the nature and level of performance required of all faculty in the College of The Arts. Criteria set by college and department RTP policies establish the standards by which faculty, following diverse career paths, are evaluated. Colleagues in each department of the College of The Arts and on review committees play the central role in evaluating the quality of performance in each of these areas.

**2.1 Instruction and Instructionally Related Activities**

The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 2.1 and adds the following. The category of Instructionally Related Activities includes all activities directly related to teaching in the classroom setting, the development of curriculum, student evaluation, supervision of student research and fieldwork, advising, and related activities involving students.

**2.1.1 Instructional Philosophy and Practice**

The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 2.1.1 and adds the following (COTA RTP Policy 2.1.1 – 2.1.1.5. Teaching effectiveness shall be evaluated via RTP committee evaluation of instruction and related activities during the period subject to RTP review in 5 areas: (1) Pedagogy and Method; (2) Course Preparation; (3) Ongoing Professional Development as a Teacher; (4) Integration of Ongoing Professional Development in the Discipline into Teaching; and (5) Other Criteria as appropriate by department.

**2.1.1.1 Pedagogy and Method**

Pedagogy and Method shall be assessed by the candidate’s ability: (1) to impart information in a clear and effective manner; (2) to facilitate class productivity
appropriate to the level and purpose of the course; (3) to establish an environment conducive to exploration, critical thinking and the development of creativity; (4) to establish grading practices compatible with department, college, and university guidelines; (5) to maintain high academic standards; (6) to use appropriate methods for assessing student performance; and (7) to effectively critique/evaluate student work.

2.1.1.2 Course Preparation
Course syllabi shall be organized, complete, clear about expectations of students and student learning outcomes, consistent with work produced in class, and consistent with university standards. Where appropriate, course preparation shall utilize current resource materials and technology to maximize teaching effectiveness.

2.1.1.3 Ongoing Professional Development as a Teacher
The candidate shall show evidence of ongoing evaluation of pedagogy as it relates to the candidate’s teaching philosophy, and efforts to enrich the candidate’s teaching and student performance.

2.1.1.4 Integration of Ongoing Professional Development in the Discipline into Teaching
Candidates shall maintain a challenging and current approach to the presentation of course materials, incorporating the candidate’s research, scholarly and creative activities and/or professional activities into the classroom, course materials, and teaching methods where appropriate.

2.1.1.5 Other Instructionally Related Activity
The following are representative, but not exhaustive, examples of other activities to be considered in the area of instructionally related activity: academic advising (additional to assignment), student mentoring, recruitment and retention activities; supervision of student research projects and / or theses; curriculum development; innovative approaches to teaching, and exemplary ways of fostering student performance; teaching seminars or pedagogical workshops; participating in and assisting with student activities such as field trips or sponsorship of student organizations.

2.1.2 Student Learning Outcomes
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 2.1.2 and adds the following. Narrative, sample syllabi, and other course-related materials submitted, as well as evidence of activity in curriculum development, shall demonstrate that the candidate understands the role of Student Learning Outcome goals in teaching. This understanding shall be reflected in instructional materials, course assignments, exams, and other demonstrations of competence required in the candidate’s courses.

2.1.3 Student Response to Instruction
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 2.1.3 and adds the following. In the combined PDS and Narrative, candidates must accurately summarize, in table form, the numerical averages given for all questions on statistical summaries of all courses evaluated. Candidates may choose to allow the numbers to “speak for themselves,” or to provide additional commentary. In the event that a course that should have been evaluated per university and/or department policy was not evaluated, the candidate must explain the reasons/circumstances that led to the course not being evaluated.

2.1.4 Classroom Visitation
Departments may require that all RTP candidates be observed and evaluated by department RTP committee members visiting the classroom while the candidate is teaching. In departments that do not require classroom visitation, candidates may request visitation, and such requests shall be granted. Departments shall clearly define procedures for classroom visitation with the goal of fairness and flexibility toward the candidate, objectivity of the process, and appropriate and consistent incorporation of classroom visitation, observation, and evaluation into the RTP process.

2.2 Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities (RSCA)
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 2.2 and adds the following. Faculty are required to maintain professional currency by being engaged in an ongoing program of research, scholarship and/or creative activity in the discipline. All faculty are required to produce research, scholarly and/or creative achievements that contribute to the advancement of their discipline(s), as recognized by professional peer review. Research, scholarly and/or creative achievement is demonstrated by a substantial record of peer reviewed and recognized professional activities and products. Such activities and products may include books, articles in professional journals or newsletters, scholarly presentations, software and electronically published documents, works, exhibits, designs, performances, commissions, and awards. Candidates should consult their department RTP policy for examples of RSCA and peer review that are appropriate to their area or areas of expertise. The focus of evaluation of RSCA shall be upon peer review and validation of RSCA within the present context of the field.

2.3 Service
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 2.3 and adds the following (COTA RTP Policy 2.3 – 2.3.3). Candidates are expected to provide substantive service through engagement in activities necessary to ensure and support the caliber of programs and activities at the university, in the community and in the profession. Departments shall develop their own standards and criteria within university and college guidelines for the evaluation of substantive service. Department policy shall make clear to the candidate what types of service are consistent with the
candidate’s rank and academic experience, as well as the mission of the department and its instructional programs.

2.3.1. University Service:
Faculty service at all levels within the university shall reflect active, reliable, and collegial participation.
Examples of substantive university service may include, but are not limited to, leadership roles and participation in faculty governance, serving on committees, supervising and sponsoring student groups; authorship of policies, procedures and protocols, proposals, and other pertinent documents.
Service shall be appropriate for the candidate’s academic experience and rank. Each candidate’s balance of university, college, and department service shall be considered within the context of the candidate’s department.
It is the candidate’s responsibility to clearly account for service contributions in the combined PDS/Narrative. This shall go beyond simply listing committees upon which one has served; specifics as to the role the candidate has played, and the duration and extent of contributions shall be discussed. The candidate’s account of service must be clearly substantiated by supplemental documentation. All levels of review shall provide a qualitative context for the candidate’s university service.

2.3.2. Professional Service:
Candidate’s service shall demonstrate qualitative contributions to professional organizations and institutions that are appropriate to the candidate’s discipline.
Examples of substantive professional service may include, but are not limited to participating in professional organizations or boards; serving on juries, conducting external evaluations, interviews, adjudications, speeches and workshops.

2.3.3 Community Service:
Candidate’s service shall be aligned with their discipline and be affiliated with the appropriate community organizations and/or activities.

DESIGN Department Policy

2.0 RTP AREAS OF EVALUATION
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 2.0 and the COTA RTP Policy 2.0, and adds the following.

Examples of appropriate engagement are defined by the Department of Design for each of the three areas of evaluation (instruction and instructionally related activities; RSCA; and service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession). Examples are organized into “Standard” and “Superior” categories in an effort to aid the candidate and evaluators regarding the expectations of the department. Candidates, following diverse career paths, are expected to pursue excellence in each area, but are not expected by the department
to accomplish every item on every list. Colleagues on the Department of Design review committee play the central role in evaluating the pattern and significance of engagement in each of the areas under review. Evaluation by the committee shall include, but is not limited to:

01. An assessment of the significance of scores on student evaluations.
02. Written reports of observations of the candidate’s teaching by the department RTP Committee.
03. Evaluation of the course materials submitted by the candidate.
04. Evaluation of the combined PDS and narrative submitted by the candidate.
05. An assessment of signed, written comments submitted by faculty, students, alumni, sponsors, clients, professionals and/or others outside of the department.

2.1 Instruction and Instructionally Related Activities
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 2.1 and the COTA Policy 2.1, and adds the following.

This category includes all activities directly related to teaching in all contexts, the development of curriculum, student evaluation, supervision of student research and/or design projects, advising, and related activities involving students.

2.1.1 Instructional Philosophy and Practice
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 2.1.1 and the COTA RTP Policy 2.1.1.

2.1.1.1 Pedagogy and Method
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA RTP Policy 2.1.1.1 and adds the following.

Each course shall prepare students for the sequential courses in the program curriculum. Course policies and grading practices shall be clearly conveyed to students, and the results of grading practices shall be reasonably consistent with department norms for the same or comparable courses.

2.1.1.1.1 Standard Pedagogy and Method
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, standard examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Demonstrates ability to communicate concepts and procedures to students.
02. Obtains quality student work.
03. Extends student’s thinking and learning skills.
04. Demonstrates skill in written communication.
05. Demonstrates skill in oral presentation.
06. Demonstrates abilities of leadership and guidance.
07. Shows skill in the management of courses.
08. Clearly states course requirements, assignments, schedule and grading
standards.

09. Maintains accurate grading and attendance records.
10. Utilizes appropriate grading practices as outlined in the faculty handbook.
11. Employs written and verbal methods of student evaluation.
12. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate standard pedagogy and methodology, as appropriate.

2.1.1.1.2 Superior Pedagogy and Method
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Receives recognition, outside the Department of Design, for student-produced projects.
02. Incorporates design competitions into teaching curriculum that bring significant recognition to the department, program and/or students.
03. Creates and/or participates in academic, industry and/or public events that showcase department, program and/or student achievement.
04. Creates collaborative projects that involve faculty and students from other disciplines outside design.
05. Exhibits flexibility by consistently teaching courses across a variety of subjects, disciplines and/or course levels.

Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior pedagogy and methodology, as appropriate.

2.1.1.2 Course Preparation
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA RTP Policy 2.1.1.2 and adds the following.

The material presented shall be appropriately relevant and up-to-date. Course materials shall have value in facilitating learning.

2.1.1.2.1 Standard Course Preparation
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, standard examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Clearly states student-learning outcomes in course documents.
02. Exhibits ongoing development and improvement of class content.
03. Prepar[es], uses and maintains up-to-date materials that are current with the industry.
04. Utilizes outside professional resources.
05. Integrates ongoing research activities and/or professional experience into the classroom.
06. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate standard course preparation, as appropriate.
2.1.1.2.2 Superior Course Preparation
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Develops innovative course materials and/or teaching approaches.
02. Arranges field trips to design firms and/or design related sites.
03. Arranges for professional designers to interact with students as lecturers and/or reviewers.
04. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior course preparation, as appropriate.

2.1.1.3 Ongoing Professional Development as a Teacher
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA RTP Policy 2.1.1.3, and adds the following.

Thoughtful and deliberate effort to produce continuous improvement in teaching effectiveness is expected of all candidates.

2.1.1.3.1 Standard Ongoing Professional Development as a Teacher
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, standard examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Demonstrates active and vital knowledge of the discipline.
02. Maintains dialogue with colleagues regarding pedagogical issues.
03. Consults on course and curriculum development.
04. Visits other classrooms to observe.
05. Provides self-assessment of teaching effectiveness.
06. Is knowledgeable and utilizes appropriate technology in instructional applications.
07. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate standard, ongoing professional development as a teacher, as appropriate.

2.1.1.3.2 Superior Ongoing Professional Development as a Teacher
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Creates significant new curricula for classes and/or summer study-abroad programs.
02. Improves teaching methodology through reading, research, and/or travel.
03. Participates on department, college and university committees concerned with pedagogical issues.
04. Participates in programs of the CSULB Centers for Faculty Development.
05. Participates in teaching development seminars or conferences sponsored by the department, college, university, or professional organizations.
06. Teaches seminars or pedagogical workshops to students and/or faculty outside of a scheduled course.
07. Presents scholarly and/or creative activities at teaching methodology seminars and conferences.
08. Receives instructionally related awards and/or recognition for outstanding performance at the University.
09. Authors a design reference book or textbook that is published.
10. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior, ongoing professional development as a teacher, as appropriate.

2.1.1.4 Ongoing Professional Development in the Discipline
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA RTP Policy 2.1.1.4 and adds the following.

The candidate shall remain aware of new developments in their discipline(s).

2.1.1.4.1 Standard Ongoing Professional Development in the Discipline
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, standard examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Maintains awareness of current developments in the discipline.
02. Reviews discipline specific books, journals and/or electronic media.
03. Interacts with practitioners in the field.
04. Consistently incorporates professional experience, research and/or service into instruction.
05. Seeks out and incorporates the use of new applications and technologies in the classroom.
06. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate standard, ongoing professional development in the discipline, as appropriate.

2.1.1.4.2 Superior Ongoing Professional Development in the Discipline
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Pursues continuing education by attending discipline specific seminars, conventions and lectures.
02. Holds a leadership position in discipline-related organizations. (Such as IDSA, AIA or AIGA).
03. Maintains an active and significant relationship with a professional consultancy, design firm, in-house design department and/or freelance clients.
04. Develops ongoing relationships with industry that provide active classroom involvement and sponsored projects.

Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior, ongoing professional development in the discipline, as appropriate.

2.1.1.5 Other Instructionally Related Activity
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA RTP Policy 2.1.1.5, and adds the following.

Other Instructionally Related activities are considered above and beyond standard engagement and/or contribution.

2.1.1.5.1 Superior Other Instructionally Related Activity
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Develops innovative approaches to teaching or exemplary ways of fostering student learning in the classroom.
02. Mentors and supports new faculty by providing course syllabi and project examples.
03. Organizes, mentors and is significantly involved in, student exhibits and events.
04. Advises, mentors and places students in professional internships.
05. Provides leadership and support of student organizations (such as DSA) or professional student chapters.
06. Provides personal supervision of student research and/or design project(s) outside of an assigned course.
07. Participates in academic advising, student mentoring, and recruitment and retention activities off campus.
08. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior, other instructionally related activity as appropriate.

2.1.2 Student Learning Outcomes
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 2.1.2 and the COTA Policy 2.1.2.

2.1.3 Student Response to Instruction
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 2.1.3 and the COTA Policy 2.1.3, and adds the following.

Student ratings of instruction, as well as other student input to the department RTP Committee, shall reflect a favorable student perception of the instructor's conveyance of knowledge, effort, availability, organization, and attention to student needs. The department RTP Committee shall analyze the significance of scores on student evaluations as only one part of an overall evaluation. Candidates, in their narratives, shall address any inconsistencies or anomalies in their student evaluations.

2.1.3.1 Standard Student Response to Instruction
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, *standard* examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Maintains positive student evaluations near the department standard.
02. Receives favorable recognition from students for instruction.
03. Receives favorable recognition from students for guidance and advising.
04. Is sensitive to individual student needs.
05. Is sensitive to the needs of a culturally diverse community.

### 2.1.4 Classroom Visitation
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA Policy 2.1.4, and adds the following.

The Department of Design requires classroom visitation by at least one member of the department RTP committee. The department RTP committee shall select the observing member(s). More than one visitation may be requested by the candidate to accommodate differences in instructional delivery or course structure. Observation shall occur on a mutually agreeable date suggested by the candidate during the review period. The observing department RTP committee member(s) shall share the results of each visitation with the entire department RTP committee for discussion and evaluation.

#### 2.1.4.1 Standard Classroom Visitation
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, *standard* examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Interaction with students.
02. Verbal delivery of instruction.
03. Use of demonstration, technology and/or other presentation methods as appropriate to the course.
04. Management of the classroom.

### 2.2 Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities (RSCA)
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 2.2 and the COTA Policy 2.2, and adds the following.

The Department of Design believes that faculty research, scholarly and creative activities (RSCA) are essential parts of its educational programs. Expertise in current design practice, acquired by active engagement in the design profession, is important for effective teaching. The Department of Design expects faculty to engage in creative projects, professional practice and/or research on an ongoing basis. Candidates shall provide evidence of active and ongoing engagement in their discipline(s). Faculty in the Department of Design consider their peers to include clients, agencies, and/or professionals acting as representatives of a recognized, professional organization, in addition to academic colleagues.

#### 2.2.1 Standard Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities (RSCA)
Evidence of active and ongoing engagement may vary by candidate and include professional design practice, academic-related achievement or both. Since professional practice and academic-related achievement vary in meaning and scope, items in this category are divided into two subcategories of equivalent distinction: Professional Achievement and Academic Achievement. Items in either of these two subcategories are based on engagement in individual or group discipline-related creative activity. Candidates shall address the meaning and scope of each RSCA activity in their narrative.

The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, standard examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

**Professional Achievement (includes items related to design practice):**

01. Attendance and/or participation in professional development programs, seminars, conferences, trainings, workshops, and/or continuing education.
02. Contribution to the design profession by preparation of standard proposals.
03. Selected for a standard professionally-related contract, bid, proposal and/or commission.
04. Printed work in trade magazines (excludes candidate-paid advertising).
05. Production of designs, works and/or exhibits.
06. Active membership in a professional organization.
07. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate standard design practice, as appropriate.

**Academic Achievement (includes items related to design research):**

08. Attendance and/or participation in academic development programs, seminars, conferences, trainings, workshops, and/or continuing education.
09. Published discipline-related academic papers in journals, conference proceedings and/or electronic documents for community level or chapter level institutions/events/audiences.
10. Presentation of design research at professional or academic conferences, meetings and/or organizations for community level or chapter level institutions/events/audiences.
11. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate standard design research, as appropriate.

### 2.2.2 Superior Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities (RSCA)

Items in this category are based on merit and/or significance in meaning or scope of practice. Candidates shall address the superior nature of their RSCA activity in their narrative for this category.

The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

**Professional Achievement (includes items related to design practice):**

01. Winning a discipline-related award from a professional organization and/or corporation.
02. Selected for a superior professionally-related contract, bid, proposal and/or commission.
03. Printed work in renowned trade magazines (excludes candidate-paid advertising).
04. Production of superior designs, works and/or exhibits.
05. Invited speaking engagements or presentations at professional conferences, meetings and/or organizations.
06. Invited reviewer or juror (professional competitions).
07. Invited participation in the development of industry standards of practice (software, codes, statutes).
08. Holds leadership position in discipline-related professional organizations.
09. Formal recognition by members of the profession.
10. Holds professional certification, accreditation or licensing through a recognized testing process.
11. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior design practice, as appropriate.

Academic Achievement (includes items related to design research):
    01. Winning a discipline-related award from an academic organization (prize, grant, scholarship, fellowship).
    02. Published discipline-related academic papers in journals, conference proceedings and/or electronic documents for state level, regional level, national level or international level audiences.
    03. Presentation of design research at professional or academic conferences, meetings and/or organizations for state level, regional level, national level or international level institutions/events/audiences.
    04. Published books as single and/or multiple author(s) (paper or electronic).
    05. Invited speaking engagements or presentations at academic conferences, meetings and/or organizations.
    06. Invited reviewer or juror (academic papers, works, competitions).
    07. Invited editor (academic journals, books, electronic publications).
    08. Holds leadership position in discipline-related academic organizations.
    09. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior design research, as appropriate.

2.3 Service
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 2.3 and the COTA RTP Policy 2.3 and adds the following.

All faculty shall participate actively in the processes of faculty governance, as well as in program, department, college and university related organizations and/or activities appropriate to the candidate’s rank. Off campus service must be design related. Assessment of a candidate’s service shall be based on the information provided in the combined PDS and narrative, as well as on supporting evidence which may include, but shall not be limited to, letters of invitation, memoranda
acknowledging the quality of the contribution, printed programs, and other appropriate documentation.

2.3.1. University Service:
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA RTP Policy 2.3.1 and adds the following.

Candidates for Reappointment shall have standard service experience at the program and department level. Candidates for promotion to Associate Professor shall have standard service experience at the college level, in addition to service at the program and department level. Candidates for promotion to Professor shall have standard service experience at the university and/or community levels in addition to service at the program, department and college levels.

2.3.1.1 Standard University Service
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, standard examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

Program Level:
01. Organizes program/class specific events such as field trips, conferences and/or guest lecturers.
02. Mentors adjunct instructors.
03. Recruits qualified faculty.
04. Serves as a guest critic or reviewer for a course, portfolio, and/or exhibit within the candidate’s program.
05. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate program-level standard university service, as appropriate.

Department Level:
06. Committee participation.
07. Serves as a guest critic or reviewer for a course, portfolio and/or exhibit within the department, but outside of the candidate’s program assignment.
08. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate department-level standard university service, as appropriate.

College Level:
09. Committee participation.
10. Attendance at a college level workshop or scholarly event.
11. Serve as a guest critic or reviewer for an event (course, portfolio, exhibit etc.) within the COTA, yet outside of the department of design.
12. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate college level, standard university service, as appropriate.

University Level:
11. Committee participation.
12. Serves as a guest critic or reviewer for a course, portfolio and/or exhibit outside the COTA.
13. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate university-level standard university service, as appropriate.

2.3.1.2 Superior University Service
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

Program Level:
01. Serves as program coordinator.
02. Prepares a grant proposal/request on behalf of a program.
03. Organizes program specific events for all major-related students, such as field trips, conferences and guest lecturers.
04. Authors documents, reports and/or other materials pertinent to a program.
05. Secures external funds or goods for the benefit of a program.
06. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate program level superior university service, as appropriate.

Department Level:
07. Serves as committee chair.
08. Serves as Department Chair.
09. Organizes and supervises students or student groups in study-abroad activities
10. Curates a non-course specific exhibit.
11. Serves as a guest critic for a program at another, comparable institution.
12. Active in department development for fund raising and facilities upgrades.
13. Authors documents, reports and other materials pertinent to the department.
14. Prepares grant proposals/requests on behalf of the department.
15. Organizes program/department specific events for all design students, such as field trips, conferences and guest lecturers.
16. Secures external funds or goods for the benefit of the department.
17. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate department level superior university service, as appropriate.

College Level:
18. Serves as committee chair.
19. Promotes and participates in collaboration with other departments within the COTA.
20. Authors documents, reports and other materials pertinent to the COTA.
21. Presents at college level workshops or scholarly events.
22. Organizes or supervises various COTA students or student groups in study-abroad activities.
23. Secures external funds or goods for the benefit of the COTA.
24. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate college level superior university service, as appropriate.
University Level:
25. Serves as committee chair.
26. Promotes and participates in collaboration with departments outside of the COTA.
27. Authors documents, reports and other materials pertinent to the university.
28. Secures external funds or goods for the benefit of the university.
29. Presents at university level workshops or scholarly events.
30. Organizes and supervises students or student groups from multiple colleges or universities on study-abroad activities.
31. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate university level superior university service, as appropriate.

2.3.2. Professional Service:
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA Policy 2.3.2, and adds the following.

In addition to campus governance activities, faculty members shall participate in service to professional design organizations and professionally related activities.

2.3.2.1 Standard Professional Service
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, standard examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Active membership and participation in a professional organization, professional union or guild.

Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate standard service to the candidate’s profession, as appropriate.

2.3.2.2 Superior Professional Service
The following are representative, but non-exhaustive and non-prioritized, superior examples that may be used by the department committee to evaluate the candidate. Items are numbered for reference only.

01. Active in a local, regional, national and/or international professional organization.
02. Holds a non-paid position within the organization and is responsible for organizing or shows active participation in a related event.
03. Receives recognition for leadership in a professional organization.
04. Curator of a professional exhibit related to a professional organization.
05. Provides pro-bono professional services to the university, community, and/or governmental organization.
06. Other recognized, discipline-specific items that demonstrate superior professional service, as appropriate.

2.3.3 Community Service:
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA Policy 2.3.3, and adds the following.
Meaningful service must be clearly related to the academic expertise of the faculty member. The Department shall make clear to the candidate what types of service, whether paid or unpaid, are consistent with the mission of the Department and its instructional program.

**Section 3 RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE RTP PROCESS**

**University Policy**

**3.0 RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE RTP PROCESS**

Participants in the RTP process include the candidate, the department, RTP committee, the department chair, the college RTP committee, the dean, the Provost, and the President. In addition, there may be external reviewers participating in the RTP process. For details on conducting external evaluations, see the Academic Senate policy on external evaluations.

The Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) allows faculty, students, academic administrators, and the President to provide information concerning the candidate during the open period.

Deliberations on reappointment, tenure, and promotion shall be confidential. Access to materials and recommendations pertaining to the candidate shall be limited to the RTP candidate, the department RTP committee, the department chair, the college RTP committee, the dean, the Provost, Associate Vice President for Academic Personnel (as an appropriate administrator), and the President (see CBA). In addition, external reviewers, if any, will have access to appropriate materials for evaluation.

**3.1 Candidate**

A candidate for RTP should make every effort to seek advice and guidance from the department chair, particularly regarding the RTP process and procedures and how criteria and standards are applied. The candidate has the primary responsibility for collecting and presenting the evidence of her/his accomplishments. The candidate's documentation must include all required information and supporting materials. Candidate should clearly reference and explain all supporting materials.

The candidate shall submit a narrative that describes his or her goals and accomplishments during the period of review, including a clear description of the quality and significance of contributions to the three areas of review: 1) instruction and instructionally-related activities; 2) RSCA; and 3) service to the university, community, and/or profession. The candidate shall provide all required supplemental documentation, including summary sheets from student evaluations and an index of all supplementary materials. The candidate shall provide all prior RTP reviews and periodic evaluations over the full review period, including candidate’s responses or rebuttals, if any.

**3.2 Department RTP Policy**

The department shall develop and articulate specific standards and criteria to be
applied in the evaluation of candidates in all three areas of evaluation. Department standards shall not be lower than college-level standards. The department RTP policy is subject to ratification by a majority of voting tenured and probationary department faculty members and to approval by the college faculty council, the dean, and the Provost. Department RTP policies shall be subject to regular review by the department’s tenured and probationary faculty.

3.3 Department RTP Committee
The department RTP committee has the primary responsibility for evaluating the candidate’s work and makes the initial recommendation to the college RTP committee regarding reappointment, tenure, and promotion. Department RTP committee members are responsible for analyzing critically the candidate’s performance by applying the criteria of the department. The tenured and probationary faculty of a department elect representatives to the department’s RTP committee. The Collective Bargaining Agreement restricts membership on RTP committees to tenured, full-time faculty members. The CBA also states that faculty participating in the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) may serve on RTP committees if requested by the majority vote of tenured and probationary faculty members of the department and approved by the President. However, RTP committees may not be made up solely of faculty participating in the FERP. No one individual may participate in the evaluation of any single candidate in more than one level of review.

3.4 Department Chair
The department chair is responsible for communicating the department, college, and university policies to candidates. The chair also provides ongoing guidance to candidates as to whether their performance is consistent with department expectations. The chair, in collaboration with college or department mentors, is responsible for talking with candidates about their overall career development and providing professional mentoring. The chair shall meet with the department RTP committee prior to the beginning of the department evaluation process to review the department, college, and university processes and procedures. Department chairs may write independent evaluations of all RTP candidates unless the department chair is elected to the department RTP committee. However, in promotion considerations, a department chair must have a higher rank than the candidate being considered for promotion in order to contribute a review or participate on a review committee. In no case may a department chair participate in the evaluation of any single candidate in more than one level of review.

3.5 College RTP Policy
The college RTP policy shall specify in writing the standards to be applied in evaluating candidates in all three areas of evaluation, consistent with university and college missions. The college RTP policy shall ensure consistency of standards across the college. Colleges have the responsibility for setting forth the standards
appropriate to the breadth of disciplines in the college. College RTP policy is subject to ratification by a majority of voting tenured and probationary college faculty members and to approval by the dean and the Provost. College RTP policy shall be subject to regular review by the tenured and probationary faculty of the college.

### 3.6 College RTP Committee
The college RTP committee reviews the materials submitted by the candidate as well as the department RTP committee and department chair evaluations and recommendations. The college RTP committee evaluates the candidate’s file in accordance with standards established in the department, college, and university RTP policies. The college RTP committee shall ensure that fair and consistent evaluation occurs at the department and college levels according to the standards set by the department and college RTP documents. The college RTP committee shall take into serious account the department’s specific standards for evaluating the candidate. The college committee prepares and forwards an independent recommendation to the college dean.

### 3.7 Dean of the College
The dean has a unique role to play in providing oversight and guidance in the RTP process within the college. The dean mentors department chairs regarding their role in the RTP process, encourages departments to develop and clarify their expectations for faculty performance, provides clear guidance to the college RTP committee, and ensures that all evaluations are carried out in accordance with department, college, and university policies. The dean ensures that standards across the college are maintained.

### 3.8 Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
The Provost provides oversight for the university’s RTP process, establishes the annual calendar of the RTP cycle, provides training for committees, chairs, and deans, and distributes relevant information to prospective candidates, chairs, deans, and members of college and department RTP committees. The Provost shall review the candidate’s file, including all prior evaluations, and make a final recommendation.

### 3.9 President
The President has the authority to make final decisions for the university with respect to reappointment, tenure, and promotion. The President may delegate this authority to the Provost.

### College of the Arts Policy

#### 3.0 RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE RTP PROCESS
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 3.0 and adds the following.
The CSULB RTP Policy specifically defines responsibilities of the candidate, the department RTP committee, the department chair, the college RTP committee, the dean, the Provost, and the President in the RTP process. The COTA RTP Policy further defines responsibilities of the candidate, the department RTP committee, the department chair, the college RTP committee, and the dean.

Within parameters established by the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), the CSULB RTP Policy, and Academic Senate policy on the use of external evaluation in the RTP process, the COTA RTP policy further defines and guides the use of external evaluation within the College of the Arts.

For candidates who request consideration for early tenure and/or early promotion, external review shall be requested at the first level (department committee) of RTP review.

3.1 Candidate

The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 3.1 and adds the following (COTA RTP Policy 3.1 – 3.1.1).

For all years when not under a performance review, a probationary faculty member must go through a periodic “mini” review, the only exception being that probationary faculty who are in the first year of appointment, and who received no years of service credit may either go through a periodic review or develop a Professional Development Plan (PDP) in consultation with the Department Chair and Dean. The PDP is not an option under any other circumstances.

A department may establish a policy (1) allowing all eligible candidates to choose, in consultation with department chair, to do a periodic review or PDP, or (2) requiring all to do a periodic review, or (3) requiring all to do a PDP.

For all periodic reviews and performance reviews (reappointment, tenure, promotion), COTA requires that candidates provide an up-to-date Combined Professional Data Sheet (PDS) and Narrative. The Combined PDS and Narrative shall follow the sequencing established in the most current guidelines for the PDS provided by Faculty Affairs, and shall integrate narrative commentary with lists, bulleted or numbered points within sections of the document. Clarity, organization, and ease of navigation are crucial in the Combined PDS and Narrative, and candidates are encouraged toward concision, but not at the expense of thoroughness.

Some activities straddle categories, or could be placed in one or another category. Instructionally related activity and RSCA, for instance, might overlap, or a candidate could have activity that might be considered either RSCA or service. While the process should be flexible and open enough to consider both hybrid activity and activity that is not easily categorized, the candidate must make every effort to properly categorize and contextualize activity—decidedly and reasonably placing activity in one category or another, or clearly detailing why an activity might warrant partial consideration in one category as well as partial consideration in another, without in essence taking full credit for an activity in each of more than one categories.
For all instances in which a candidate has received assigned time, the candidate must account for what purpose the assigned time was granted, and what work was accomplished utilizing the assigned time. The College of the Arts requires materials specific to the circumstances of candidates’ periodic or performance review as specified in the COTA RTP Procedures Document. Departments may require materials as approved by the Dean of the College of the Arts.

3.1.1 Committee Request for Clarification of the File.
If content in a candidate’s file is not clearly substantiated, the RTP committee at either level may ask for written clarification from the candidate. If a candidate is asked to provide further documentation/clarification at any point in the review process, the candidate must provide precisely what is requested and may not use this request as an opportunity to expand the file contents beyond the specific request. If request for clarification is made at the college level, the department RTP committee shall be notified of both the request and the candidate’s response, and the file shall be returned to the department RTP committee for review, evaluation, and comment before the college committee resumes its review process.

3.2 Department RTP Policy
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 3.2 and adds the following. Each department within the College of the Arts shall develop a department-level RTP policy. Department policies must align with university and college RTP policies, and comply with the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). The department RTP policy shall define clear standards for achievement and contribution in the three areas of (1) instruction and instructionally related activities, (2) RSCA, and (3) service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession. The department RTP policy shall provide clear examples of forms of evidence a candidate may present to substantiate and provide context for instruction and instructionally related activities, RSCA and related peer review, and service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession.

3.2.1 Department RTP Procedures Document
Each department shall create a document detailing specific departmental RTP procedures. These procedures may not supersede or impede upon the RTP process as defined in university and college RTP policy and university and college RTP procedures documents, and may not conflict with Academic Senate policy or the CBA. Department RTP Procedures documents shall be reviewed regularly and updated by the department chair and an appropriate faculty advisory committee, and shall be approved by the Dean.

3.3 Department RTP Committee
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 3.3 and adds the following.
All candidates shall be reviewed by a committee of three or five members of appropriate rank; a full-time tenured faculty member is eligible to serve on RTP committees, provided that, in promotion reviews, the faculty member is of a rank equal to or higher than the candidate’s sought rank. As necessary, departments may elect RTP committee members from other departments within the university, but only after every effort has been made to fill roles on the department committee and fulfill the obligation to provide a representative to the COTA RTP committee with faculty from the department.

3.4 Department Chair
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 3.4.

3.5 College RTP Policy
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 3.5 and adds the following. The College of the Arts RTP Policy is intended to uphold university standards and processes, and set general college standards and processes while providing a framework within which departments may establish standards and processes that reasonably fit their disciplines and departmental cultures.

3.5.1 College RTP Procedures Document
The Dean, in consultation with faculty as represented by the COTA Faculty Council and COTA Executive Committee (Department Chairs), shall create a document detailing specific college RTP procedures. These procedures may not supersede or impede upon the RTP process as defined in university RTP policy and procedures documents, and may not conflict with Academic Senate policy or the CBA. The COTA RTP Procedures Document shall be reviewed regularly and updated by the Dean, in consultation with the Faculty Council and Executive Committee.

3.6 College RTP Committee
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 3.6 and adds the following. A full-time tenured faculty member is eligible to serve on RTP committees, provided that, in promotion reviews, the faculty member is of a rank equal to or higher than the candidate’s sought rank. The COTA RTP Committee shall (1) whenever possible include one representative from every department in the college, and (2) whenever possible be comprised entirely of faculty eligible to review all files under review. These two goals supersede any other obligations for faculty to serve in the RTP review process except when a department has only one faculty member eligible to review all candidates in the department.

3.7 Dean of the College
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 3.7.

3.8 Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 3.8.
3.9 President
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 3.9

DESIGN Department Policy
3.0 RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE RTP PROCESS
The Department of Design concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 3.0 and COTA Policy 3.0.

3.1 Candidate
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 3.1 and the COTA RTP Policy 3.1 – 3.1.1, and adds the following.

Candidates shall make every effort to seek advice and guidelines on the RTP process so that they understand how criteria and standards are applied. Regular discussions with the Department Chair and experienced colleagues are necessary if candidates are to understand the process and participate in it effectively.

The Department of Design discourages faculty from soliciting letters from current students. The candidate may notify colleagues and professionals in and outside of the department about the opportunity to submit letters during the Open Period.

3.2 Department RTP Policy
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 3.2, and the COTA Policy 3.2.

3.2.1 Department RTP Procedures Document
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA Policy 3.2.1

3.3 Department RTP Committee
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 3.3 and the COTA Policy 3.3, and adds the following.

The Department RTP Committee shall normally consist of three full-time, tenured faculty members of appropriate rank, duly elected by the tenured and probationary department faculty. Members of the Department RTP Committee shall be from the Department of Design unless the department has insufficient numbers of faculty to meet the requirements.

If there are insufficient numbers of eligible faculty within the Department of Design, then the department chair and/or dean may ask for nominations from other departments within the college and/or university. These nominations shall be sent directly to the dean or a designee. The dean or designee shall contact the nominees and prepare a list of not less than five candidates willing to serve on the Design Department RTP Committee. This list shall be made accessible to the voting faculty a minimum of 5 calendar days prior to a faculty vote.

The tenured and probationary department faculty shall vote for three candidates,
from the list of a minimum of five candidates, by secret ballot. The three candidates with a majority vote will serve. In case of a tie, another vote between those candidates shall be conducted, until there is a clear majority.

This committee has the primary responsibility for evaluating the file submitted by the candidate and makes the initial recommendation to the college regarding reappointment, tenure and/or promotion. Committee members, therefore, have the very serious responsibility of applying the standards of the department to the performance of their colleagues in the RTP process. The department committee is also the primary means by which the professional standards and practices of individual academic disciplines are communicated to other levels of review outside of the department. When possible, the members of the committee shall serve two year, staggered terms, so there will always be members with experience in the process to mentor new members to the committee.

3.4 Department Chair
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 3.4 and the COTA Policy 3.4.

3.5 College RTP Policy
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 3.5 and the COTA Policy 3.5.

3.5.1 College RTP Procedures Document
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA Policy 3.5.1

3.6 College RTP Committee
The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 3.6 and the COTA Policy 3.6.

3.7 Dean of the College
The Department of Design defers to the CSULB RTP Policy 3.7 and the COTA Policy 3.7.

3.8 Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
The Department of Design defers to the CSULB RTP Policy 3.8 and the COTA Policy 3.8.

3.9 President
The Department of Design defers to the CSULB RTP Policy 3.9 and the COTA Policy 3.9.
Section 4 TIMELINES FOR THE RTP PROCESS

University Policy

4.0 TIMELINES FOR THE RTP PROCESS
All tenured and probationary faculties undergo performance review and evaluation. Probationary faculty members are evaluated each year. During years when the candidate is not being reviewed for reappointment, tenure, and/or promotion, the candidate will undergo periodic review. Tenured faculty members are evaluated every five (5) years. The following timelines apply to candidates who are appointed at the rank of assistant professor with no service credit; actual timelines may vary according to level of appointment and service credit.

4.1 Evaluation of Probationary Faculty for Reappointment
In the first year and second years of service, the annual evaluation takes the form of a periodic review. The periodic review provides the candidate with feedback on progress toward tenure. The periodic review is conducted by the department RTP committee, the department chair, and the college dean.
In the third year of service, the annual evaluation takes the form of a reappointment review. Successful candidates are reappointed for one, two, or three years.

4.2 Evaluation of Probationary Faculty for Tenure and Promotion
In the first and second years of reappointment (or fourth and fifth years of continuous service), the annual evaluation takes the form of a periodic or reappointment review, as appropriate. In the third year of reappointment (or the sixth year of continuous service) the annual evaluation takes the form of a tenure review, which may also be a review for promotion.
A probationary faculty member may request consideration for early tenure and promotion prior to the scheduled sixth year review. This process is discussed under Section 5.5.

4.3 Evaluation of Tenured Faculty for Promotion
An associate professor becomes eligible for promotion review to full professor in the fifth year at the associate rank. A tenured associate professor may seek early promotion to full professor prior to the fifth year in rank. This process is discussed further under Section 5.5.
A tenured faculty member may choose not to be evaluated for promotion in a given year; however, the faculty member will still be required to undergo the five-year periodic evaluation of tenured faculty as outlined in a separate Academic Senate policy document.

College of the Arts Policy

4.0 TIMELINES FOR THE RTP PROCESS
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 4.0 – 4.3, and to all RTP deadlines established by Faculty Affairs.
DESIGN Department Policy

4.0 TIMELINES FOR THE RTP PROCESS
The Department of Art defers to CSULB RTP Policy 4.0 – 4.3, and to all RTP deadlines established by Faculty Affairs.

Section 5 APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTIONAL LEVEL CRITERIA

University Policy

5.0 APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTIONAL LEVEL CRITERIA
Candidates for reappointment, tenure, and promotion will be evaluated in all three areas: 1) instruction and instructionally-related activities; 2) RSCA; and 3) service.

5.1 Reappointment Consideration for Probationary Faculty
The candidate must have completed at least one periodic evaluation and must demonstrate that he/she is making significant progress towards tenure. Based upon criteria established by the department and the college, a candidate for reappointment must show evidence of quality in all three areas of evaluation. The candidate for reappointment is expected to demonstrate effective teaching responsive to the learning needs of CSULB’s diverse students and to the university’s educational mission. The candidate is expected to show progress in his or her program of ongoing RSCA and to have produced initial scholarly and creative achievements. The candidate is expected to have made service contributions primarily at the departmental or program level and consistent with departmental and college service expectations.

5.2 Awarding of Tenure
The awarding of tenure represents the university’s long-term commitment to a faculty member and is granted when the candidate has demonstrated the ability to make ongoing and increasingly distinguished professional contributions to the university and to the profession. Tenure is based on a candidate demonstrating a sustained record of high quality over multiple years and evidence leading to the belief that a candidate will continue being productive. Tenure is not based solely on the quantity of scholarly output, courses taught, or committees on which one has served. The candidate must present evidence of meeting the required tenure criteria in all three areas of evaluation as established in the RTP policies of the department, college, and the university. For review of an assistant professor, tenure and promotion to associate professor normally are awarded together.

5.3 Appointment/Promotion to Associate Professor
An associate professor is expected to be an excellent teacher who is highly effective in the classroom, fosters quality learning experiences, and is responsive to the needs of CSULB’s diverse students and to the university’s educational mission. At this rank, the faculty member is expected to have a successful and ongoing program of RSCA.
The candidate is expected to have produced high-quality peer-reviewed work, which contributes to the advancement, application, or pedagogy of his or her discipline or interdisciplinary fields of study. The candidate is expected to have made high-quality service contributions to the university or the expanded community.

5.4 Appointment/Promotion to Professor
Standards for promotion to full professor shall be higher than standards for promotion to associate professor. A full professor is expected to demonstrate a consistent record of excellence in teaching, student engagement, and curricular development. The successful candidate will have a proven program of RSCA that includes high quality contributions to the advancement, application, or pedagogy of his or her discipline or interdisciplinary fields of study. The candidate is expected to have disseminated a substantial body of peer-reviewed work at the national or international levels. In addition, a full professor shall have provided significant service and leadership at the university.

5.5 Early Tenure or Early Promotion
A potential candidate should receive initial guidance from the department chair and dean regarding the criteria and expectations for early tenure and early promotion. Early tenure and early promotion are granted only in exceptional circumstances and for compelling reasons. Assistant professors may apply for early promotion, early tenure, or both. A candidate applying for early tenure is expected to meet all criteria for early promotion to associate professor. Tenured associate professors may apply for early promotion to full professor. However, non-tenured associate professors may not apply for early promotion to full professor without also seeking early tenure.

5.5.1 Early Tenure
Early tenure may be granted in rare cases when a candidate demonstrates a record of distinction in all three areas and superior accomplishments significantly beyond what is expected for tenure on the standard six-year timeline. The candidate’s record must establish compelling evidence of distinction in all areas and must inspire confidence that the pattern of strong overall performance will continue. In addition, candidates for early tenure are encouraged to participate in the external evaluation process according to the Academic Senate policy on external evaluation.

5.5.2 Early Promotion
In order to receive a favorable recommendation for early promotion to associate professor or full professor, a candidate must achieve a record of distinction in all three areas of evaluation that clearly exceeds in substantial ways the requirements established in the department and college policies. In addition, candidates for early promotion are encouraged to participate in the external evaluation process according to the Academic Senate policy on external evaluation.
Candidates for early promotion to associate professor are normally also candidates for early tenure. In rare instances, the university may decide that a candidate’s achievements merit promotion to the rank of associate professor without a concomitant awarding of tenure. This decision represents the belief that a candidate has produced a body of work sufficient for promotion, but has not yet fully demonstrated the sustained record upon which tenure is based.

**College of the Arts Policy**

**5.0 APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTIONAL LEVEL CRITERIA**
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 5.0.

**5.1 Reappointment Consideration for Probationary Faculty**
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 5.1 and adds the following. At any level of RTP review in the College of the Arts, in order to recommend a candidate for reappointment, reviewers must determine that the candidate has met all university and college standards, and that the candidate has met department-defined standards in each of the three areas of review: (1) instruction and instructionally related activities, (2) RSCA, and (3) service and engagement at the university, in the community, and in the profession.

**5.2 Awarding of Tenure**
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 5.2 and adds the following. At any level of RTP review in the College of the Arts, in order to recommend a candidate for tenure, reviewers must determine that the candidate has met all university and college standards, has demonstrated superior performance in at least one of the three areas of review, and has met department-defined standards in all remaining areas of review.

**5.3 Appointment/Promotion to Associate Professor**
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 5.3 and adds the following. At any level of RTP review in the College of the Arts, in order to recommend a candidate for promotion to Associate Professor, reviewers must determine that the candidate has met all university and college standards, has demonstrated superior performance in at least the area of instruction and instructionally related activities, and has met department-defined standards in all remaining areas of review.

**5.4 Appointment/Promotion to Professor**
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 5.4 and adds the following. At any level of RTP review in the College of the Arts, in order to recommend a candidate for promotion to full Professor, reviewers must determine that the candidate has met all university and college standards, has demonstrated superior performance in the area of instruction and instructionally related activities, and superior performance in at least one additional area of review, and has met department-defined standards in any remaining area of review.
5.5 Early Tenure or Early Promotion
The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 5.5.

5.5.1 Early Tenure
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 5.5.1.

5.5.2 Early Promotion
The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 5.5.2.

DESIGN Department Policy
5.0 APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTIONAL LEVEL CRITERIA
The Department of Design defers to the CSULB RTP Policy 5.0 – 5.5.2.

Section 6 STEPS IN THE RTP PROCESS
University Policy
6.0 STEPS IN THE RTP PROCESS
6.1 The Division of Academic Affairs determines the timelines for the RTP process, including deadlines for the submission of the candidate’s materials, dates for the open period, completion of all RTP reviews by all review levels, and final decision notification to the candidate. The deadlines for notification of final actions shall be consistent with the requirements of the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA).

6.2 The Division of Academic Affairs notifies all faculty members of their eligibility for review and specifies items required to be provided by all candidates.

6.3 Departments shall post in the department office a list of candidates being considered for reappointment, tenure, or promotion, following timelines and guidelines for the open period provided by the Office of Academic Affairs and consistent with the requirements of the CBA. A copy of all information submitted shall be provided to the candidate. The department RTP committee chair prepares an index of the materials submitted during the open period to be included in the candidate’s file.

6.4 Candidates prepare materials for review and deliver them to the department RTP committee by the deadline.

6.5 The department RTP committee reviews the candidate’s materials and, using the standard university form, provides a written evaluation and recommendation to the next level of review by the deadline.
6.6 The department chair, if eligible and if not an elected member of the department RTP committee, reviews the candidate’s materials and may provide an independent written evaluation and recommendation to the next level of review by the deadline.

6.7 The college RTP committee reviews the candidate’s materials and provides an independent written evaluation and recommendation to the next level of review by the deadline.

6.8 The dean reviews the candidate’s materials and provides an independent written review and recommendation to the Provost by the deadline.

6.9 The Provost reviews the candidate’s materials and provides an independent written review and recommendation to the President. The President has the authority to make final decisions for the university with respect to reappointment, tenure, and promotion.

The President (or Provost as designee) notifies the candidate of the final decision regarding reappointment, tenure, and/or promotion by the deadline.

**College of the Arts Policy**

**6.0 STEPS IN THE RTP PROCESS**

The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 6.0 – 6.9, and to all RTP deadlines established by Faculty Affairs. Departments may develop steps that are clearly defined, reasonable, relevant, appropriate, and timely, and that do not supersede or impede steps defined in the CSULB RTP Policy.

Candidate rebuttal documents shall be limited to a written reply to the committee and shall not involve the addition of other materials or documents, or information not immediately relevant to those parts of the committee report being rebutted.

**DESIGN Department Policy**

**6.0 STEPS IN THE RTP PROCESS**

The Department of Design defers to the CSULB RTP Policy 6.0 – 6.9, and to all RTP deadlines established by Faculty Affairs.

**Section 7 ADDITIONAL PROCESSES**

**University Policy**

**7.0 ADDITIONAL PROCESSES**

7.1 Prior to the final decision, candidates for promotion may withdraw without prejudice from consideration at any level of review (see CBA). This provision also applies to candidates for early tenure.

7.2 If, at any time during the review process, the absence of required evaluation documents is discovered, the RTP package shall be returned to the level at which the
requisite documentation should have been provided. Such materials shall be provided in a timely manner.

7.3 At each level of review, the candidate shall be given a copy of the recommendation, which shall state in writing the reasons for the recommendation, before the recommendation is forwarded to the next review level. The candidate shall have the right to provide a rebuttal/response in writing no later than ten (10) calendar days following receipt of the recommendation. A copy of all of the candidate's rebuttal/responses shall accompany the RTP package and also be sent to any previous review levels.

7.4 The candidate or evaluators at each level of review may request an external evaluation, consistent with Academic Senate policy on external evaluations.

**College of the Arts Policy**

7.0 ADDITIONAL PROCESSES

7.1 The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 7.1.

7.2 The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 7.2.

7.3 The College of the Arts defers to CSULB RTP Policy 7.3.

7.4 The College of the Arts concurs with CSULB RTP Policy 7.4.

**DESIGN Department Policy**

7.0 ADDITIONAL PROCESSES

The Department of Design defers to CSULB RTP Policy 7.1-7.3.

7.4 The Department of Design concurs with the CSULB RTP Policy 7.4.

**Section 8 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE RTP POLICY**

**University Policy**

8.0 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE RTP POLICY

Changes to CSULB RTP procedures may occur as a result of changes to the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). Additionally, campus administrators may make certain procedural changes to accommodate the university calendar or other campus needs. In general, changes to procedures do not require a vote by the faculty.

The tenured and probationary faculty of CSULB, voting by secret ballot (with pro and con arguments attached), may amend the policy and evaluation criteria section of this document.
Amendments may be proposed either by the following:
(1) A direct faculty action via petition from ten percent (10%) of the tenured and tenure-track faculty to the chair of the Academic Senate.
(2) By action of the Academic Senate. Proposed amendments shall be submitted for discussion at a public hearing for the faculty called within fifteen (15) instructional days following their receipt and shall be distributed by the chair of the Academic Senate to the faculty at least five (5) instructional days before the public hearing. Amendments to this document shall become effective when they have received a favorable vote of a majority of the tenured and probationary faculty voting in a secret ballot conducted by the Academic Senate within twenty (20) instructional days of the public hearing and they have the concurrence of the University President.

Effective: Fall 2009

NOTES:

1. Every effort has been made to ensure compliance with the Unit 3 (Faculty) Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). However, this document should not be considered as a substitute for those parts of the Agreement that affect RTP matters.
2. Throughout this document, the designation ‘department’ applies also to ‘program’ or an equivalent unit in a non-instructional area whose employees are considered to be faculty under the provisions of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement. Thus, unit heads and directors are the equivalent of department chairs.
3. Evaluation of lecturers is not covered in this policy; see the Academic Personnel website and the Policy on Range Elevation for Lecturers.

The dean of the college shall review the candidate’s file, including all prior evaluations, and provide an independent recommendation to the Provost based upon the three areas of evaluation listed earlier.

**College of the Arts Policy**

**8.0 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE RTP POLICY**

The College of the Arts defers to any and all changes to CSULB RTP procedures that may occur as a result of changes to the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), as well as changes procedural changes made by campus administrators to accommodate the university calendar or other campus needs.

**8.0.1 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE COTA RTP POLICY**

The tenured and probationary faculty of the College of the Arts, voting by secret ballot (with pro and con arguments attached), may amend the policy and evaluation criteria section of this document. Amendments may be proposed either by the following:
(1) A direct faculty action via petition from ten percent (10%) of the tenured and tenure-track faculty of the college to the Dean of the College of the Arts.
(2) By action of the COTA Faculty Council. Proposed amendments shall be submitted for discussion at a public hearing for the faculty called within fifteen (15)
instructional days following their receipt and shall be distributed by the chair of the Faculty Council to the faculty at least five (5) instructional days before the public hearing.
Amendments to this document shall become effective when they have received a favorable vote of a majority of the tenured and probationary COTA faculty voting in a secret ballot conducted by the Faculty Council within twenty (20) instructional days of the public hearing and they have the concurrence of the COTA Dean and University President or designee.

8.0.2 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT RTP POLICY
The faculty of each department in the COTA shall develop a departmental procedure for amending their document to be included in the departmental RTP document. The procedure, and any amendments, must be approved by the COTA Faculty Council, the Dean and the President or designee.

Effective: Fall 2010

DESIGN Department Policy
8.0 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE RTP POLICY
The Department of Design defers to any and all changes to the CSULB RTP procedures that may occur as a result of changes to the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), as well as procedural changes made by campus administrators to accommodate the university calendar or other campus needs.

8.0.1 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE COTA RTP POLICY
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA Policy 8.0.1

8.0.2 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT RTP POLICY
The Department of Design concurs with the COTA Policy 8.0.2 and adds the following.

Proposed amendments to the Department of Design RTP document shall be submitted for a first reading and discussion at a faculty meeting of all tenured and probationary department faculty members. Given the importance of such a change to department RTP policy, a second reading and discussion at a later meeting of all tenured and probationary department faculty members shall occur prior to a vote. To become effective, the proposed amendment must receive a favorable vote, by secret ballot, of a majority of department tenured and probationary faculty members, and must be approved by the Faculty Council, the Dean of the College of the Arts and the Provost.