Preparing for Promotion to Clinical Professor in the Clinician Educator Line

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Agenda

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Promotion to Clinical Professor

Promotion... will be considered for those who have demonstrated exceptional performance in clinical care and clinical teaching (and, if applicable, institutional service and/or scholarly activities) during their terms as Clinical Associate Professor and who are widely recognized as leaders in their field. There should be evidence that candidates have attained national recognition as superior clinicians and clinical teachers, that they have demonstrated continuing excellence and progressive maturation as physicians and teachers, and that they will successfully continue to fill the programmatic need for which the appointment is made and to make outstanding contributions to their discipline and to the School.
Special Cases & Early Promotion

• In special cases, other factors may be considered for promotion for those individuals who do not have regional prominence, including **extraordinary contributions** in such broadly defined areas as teaching and clinical excellence, clinical innovation, program building and/or administrative activities.

• Exceptional circumstances may, on occasion, justify early promotion to this rank.*
Appointment & Promotion Patterns
Clinical Professors

September 1, 2014

- Appointment: 70%
- Promotion: 30%

Clinical Professor (n=94)

September 1, 2016

- Appointment: 58%
- Promotion: 42%

Clinical Professor (n=110)
Counseling

• Annual Counseling is feedback on performance relative to the standards for reappointment and promotion, and should provide candid and helpful feedback and guidance. The department is expected to provide annual counseling to all Clinical Assistant Professors and Clinical Associate Professors.
Counseling

• Must be based on the results of the review, constructive, realistic and specifically tailored to you
• Quality of your performance in clinical care, teaching, citizenship, administrative responsibilities, scholarship, as applicable
• Describe practical guidance for improvement and/or a plan to remediate any areas of problematic performance
• Clarify the criteria you will face in a future reappointment or promotion review

http://med.stanford.edu/academicaffairs/CEs/CEFacultyResources/counseling.html
Developing Clinical Recognition

• Take initiative in guiding, leading and innovating clinical programs
• Network with colleagues on collaborative projects with regional and/or national impact
• Identify a shared need, develop a response and become a leader recognized by the outside community
• Participate in your professional societies and seek leadership roles within them
• Seek opportunities to present at Grand Rounds outside of Stanford
Developing Teaching Recognition

• Become involved in teaching undergraduates, medical students, residents, fellows, health care professionals, community members
• Teach in CME programs
• Innovate teaching programs and teaching techniques, curricula and media
• Disseminate innovations through professional groups, regional and national meetings, presentations
Developing Administrative/Institutional Service Recognition

• Become involved in hospital initiatives, regional and national organizations and initiatives
• Become involved in quality initiatives
Developing Scholarly Recognition

• Become involved in clinical research, innovation
• Network with colleagues for opportunities for editorial board service with specialty publications
• Publish articles/chapters/books
• Publications are considered but are not required for promotion
Professional Development Opportunities

• The Stanford Faculty Development Center for Medical Teachers provides teaching improvement support. [http://sfdc.stanford.edu/](http://sfdc.stanford.edu/)

• The Stanford Medicine Teaching and Mentoring Academy supports the faculty development for teachers and mentors. [http://med.stanford.edu/academy.html](http://med.stanford.edu/academy.html)

• Office of Faculty Development and Diversity offers programs that help faculty develop to their full potential as academic and community leaders [http://med.stanford.edu/facultydiversity.html](http://med.stanford.edu/facultydiversity.html)
Professional Development Opportunities

• Participate in your department’s mentoring program and if there is not one, express an interest in having one developed

• Take Clinician Educator Professional Development Leave and paid conference leave when you can
Well Presented Evidence

You need to supply for the promotion file

• Current and complete CV

• Candidate’s statement
Candidate’s Statement

Gives you an opportunity to expand upon your contributions. Guidelines suggest you discuss your:

• Professional interests
• Clinical care contributions
• Teaching and other pedagogical contributions
• Administrative roles and responsibilities
• Scholarship (as applicable)
• Activities that reflect regional or national recognition
Well Presented Evidence- Referee Letters

Department obtains referee letters

• Strong referee letters provide meaningful evaluations of the candidate measured by the criteria and from the referees’ personal knowledge

• 6-10 letters are needed for promotion to Clinical Professor, 3-5 must be from persons affiliated with Stanford and 3-5 from persons outside Stanford

• Evaluations for Clinical Professor must explicitly substantiate the candidate’s national reputation
• Clinical Excellence Survey

• As a Clinician Educator it is expected that a proportion of your time is spent educating others about your field of medicine. Teaching evaluations are required as part of the review.
  • MedHub
  • Trainee letters
  • Other teaching evaluations (lectures given, classes taught)
• The purpose of Professional Development Leave is to free Clinician Educators from their normal clinical and teaching duties, enabling them to pursue training and/or education-related projects or opportunities that will enhance their patient care and teaching activities at Stanford.
Eligibility

• Clinical Assistant/Clinical Associate/Clinical Professors accrue PDL; Instructors do not accrue PDL
• Stanford University employees accrue PDL; CE affiliates do not accrue PDL
• Benefits eligible faculty (0.5 FTE or greater) accrue PDL; per diem employees, and those less than 0.5 FTE do not accrue PDL
• PDL cannot be used until the applicant has worked for a minimum of 5 years as Clinical Assistant/Clinical Associate/Clinical Professor.
Calculating Accrual

• Leave is accrued at 1.167 days per month (14 days per year) at 100% FTE.
• Individuals appointed at less than 100% FTE accrue based on their FTE percentage (no accrual below 50% FTE).
• Normal maximum accrual = 70 days (10 weeks) or 5 years of accrual
• Clinician Educator’s are encouraged to use their leave on a regular basis.
• If programmatic need requires that they not take it, accrual can continue up to 140 days (20 weeks) or 10 years of accrual.
Leave Examples

Leaves have been taken for various purposes, including:

- Pursuit of an additional academic degree
- Travel to observe and learn new clinical skills
- Prepare for and give Grand Rounds
- Work on teaching materials
- Work on a national committee
- Work on publications
- Work on a national database in a specialty
Links

- Academic Affairs’ Clinician Educator web page, http://med.stanford.edu/academicaffairs/CEs.html
- CV template, please visit Academic Affairs’ CE web page
- Counseling Guidelines, please visit Academic Affairs’ CE web page