AREA II
FACULTY

PARAMETER D:

RANK AND TENURE
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S.2 The institution has a policy on temporary status of employment

faculty rank. This is without prejudice to a possible appointment to a fallback faculty position as the Board of Regents may decide.

5.4.1.4. The statuses of appointment for the members of the faculty are the following:

1. **Permanent** appointment shall be issued to a person who meets the qualification standards established for the faculty rank and who shall have successfully completed the probationary period of two years or four regular semesters.

2. **Temporary** appointment shall be issued to a person who meets all the minimum requirements except the education but only in the absence of applicants who possess the minimum educational qualification, as certified by the University President. He/she may be appointed not exceeding twelve months, reckoned from the date it was issued but the appointee may be replaced sooner if a qualified eligible who is willing to accept the appointment becomes actually available. The temporary appointment shall be limited to five (5) times only.

Appointees under temporary status do not have security of tenure and may be separated from the service, with or without cause. As such, they shall not be considered illegally terminated and hence, not entitled to claim back wages and/or salaries and reinstatement to their positions.

The employment or services of appointees under temporary status may be terminated without necessarily being replaced by another. Temporary appointees may also be replaced within the twelve-month period by qualified eligible or even by non-eligible. A temporary appointment to a position which involves practice of profession may be issued to a person who lacks the required experience or training but only in the absence of an applicant who meets all the qualification requirements of the position as certified by the appointing authority.

When there are no available qualified faculty candidates in the region, place or locality, as certified by the appointing officer/authority, temporary appointments may be issued until the required Master's degree is met/complied with in pursuant to CSC MC 25 s 2017.

A 30-day written notice signed by the appointing authority shall be given to the temporary appointee prior to termination of service/removal or replacement.

Professor IV provided vacant positions exist and the minimum requirements are adhered to.

5.4.2 Appointment

The precise terms and conditions of every appointment shall be stated in writing. In case of non-renewal of a probationary appointment, the person concerned shall be informed in writing at least sixty days before the termination date. Any appointment with tenure may be terminated by resignation, retirement, or removal for cause/major offense, after following the necessary procedure (The Revised Administrative Code of 1987 on the Civil Service Commission, Chapter 7, Section 47).

If a faculty member is appointed as USM President, he/she loses his/her faculty rank. However, if it is a designation, he/she retains his/her faculty rank. This is without prejudice to a possible appointment to a fallback faculty position as the Board of Regents may decide.

5.4.3. Promotion

5.4.3.1. The USM Promotion Policies are the following:

5.4.3.1.1. A faculty member may be considered for promotion to a higher faculty rank/sub-rank on the basis of the minimum requirements (education, training, experience, and DYCAS scores) of the position, including performance rating (IPCR) of at least Very Satisfactory during the last two (2) rating periods.

5.4.3.1.2. In cases where the potential and performance of two or more faculty members are comparatively at par, preference shall be given to the candidate in the department where the vacancy exists or if the promotion will result to a significant improvement of a particular department's faculty profile.

5.4.3.1.3. Whenever possible and through promotions, each academic department should have at least one faculty member belonging to the professorial ranks as an indicator of a strong faculty profile.

5.4.3.1.4. The filing and pendency of an administrative case against a faculty member shall not constitute a disqualification from promotion. A faculty member may be disqualified from promotion if found guilty as stipulated in the 2017 RACCS.

5.4.3.1.5. Promotion within six (6) months prior to compulsory retirement shall not be allowed except as otherwise provided by law.

5.4.3.1.6. Faculty positions are exempted from the three-salary grade limitation on promotion.