Consistent with recommendations of the American Society of Civil Engineers Task Force on Redefining Scholarly Work\(^1\), and in keeping with the scholarship guidelines of the College, the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE) defines scholarly activity as meeting most of the following conditions: requires a high level of discipline-related expertise; breaks new ground or is innovative; can be replicated, documented, and peer-reviewed; and has significance or impact.

Civil and environmental engineering is a broad and evolving field, and we recognize that some of the most innovative scholarly work being performed by civil and environmental engineers is interdisciplinary in nature. Thus, in addition to traditional disciplinary scholarship, scholarly work by CEE faculty members may include elements of engineering as a discipline and/or its interdisciplinary contributions to other disciplines, including research related to engineering education. Consistent with the College and the CEE departmental focus on collaborative student/faculty research, faculty members are strongly encouraged to involve undergraduate students in their scholarly activities in meaningful ways.

Evidence that scholarly work meets the above criteria is gathered from the following:

**Tier 1**
- Archival publications that undergo a rigorous peer-review process

**Tier 2**
- Competitive research funding awards
- Conference presentations
- Conference proceedings or other publications that undergo peer-review but are not considered archival
- Invited lectures
- Patents
- Technical reports (resulting from consulting or other sponsored work)
- Textbooks

Although archival peer-reviewed publications are the most highly valued evidence of scholarship, the CEE department values diverse forms of scholarship and faculty members normally are expected to show evidence of scholarly activity in both of the above tiers over the course of the review period. It is the responsibility of the faculty member under review to provide evidence for how his or her scholarship meets the above criteria.

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