Departmental Scholarship Guidelines

The tenure and promotion candidate will have demonstrated the ability to make scholarly contributions through the publication of research done as part of his/her graduate education and any postdoctoral appointments. However, the scholarly record must show clear evidence that it has progressed beyond the publication of dissertation and postdoctoral appointment research. A primary objective of the tenure review will be to assess the candidate's long-term prospectus for future scholarly activity and productivity. The candidate must articulate a clear plan that explains future research direction and activity in her/his self-evaluation.

All review candidates must show evidence that they are actively conducting research and contributing to the discipline through presentations at professional meetings and publication of research papers in journals and scholarly collections.

The primary presentation venues for original scholarship are:

1. peer-reviewed journals,
2. contributed works to edited volumes.

Additional evidence of scholarly activity includes:

1. proposals that result in research grants,
2. unfunded proposals that receive excellent reviews,
3. authoring books, textbooks, or review articles,
4. regular participation in professional meetings through oral and poster presentations,
5. mentoring students in scientific research (e.g. senior theses, independent studies, EXCEL research),

6. invitations to collaborate with colleagues, speak at conferences, chair sessions at conferences, lead professional field trips, write book reviews,

7. articles that have not been peer-reviewed, encyclopedia entries.