2.0 PROMOTION PROCEDURES IN THE TEMERTY FACULTY OF MEDICINE

2.1 Steps in Promotion

*Note:* The Temerty Faculty of Medicine has certain deadlines that occur earlier than the corresponding University dates. It is expected that candidates will adhere to Faculty deadlines.

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| 1     | Before March 1, 2024                          | The membership of the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) is established for the next promotion cycle, and the members are made known to the Department’s faculty and the Dean’s Office (via the Human Resources Office).  
- The Chair of the Department may be the chair of the DPC.  
- The Departments of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Speech Language Pathology establish a combined Department and Sector Promotions Committee. |
| 2     | Before May 1, 2024                            | The Chair of the Department assembles a list of Assistant and Associate Professors for preliminary consideration by the DPC. The length of time to promotion is not specified, but normally Decanal Promotion Committees view at least five years at a given rank to be sufficient to assess performance at that rank. The list of candidates for promotion is established through several mechanisms:  
- Review of the CVs of Assistant and Associate Professors by the Chair of the Department. In large departments Division Heads may act on behalf of the Chair of the Department.  
- Hospital Chiefs may propose a candidate for promotion in writing directly to the Chair of the Department.  
- Written self-nomination by candidates to the Chair (see also step 7). |
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<td>The DPC reviews the CVs of all candidates to identify those for preliminary consideration. For Faculty for whom teaching/education is important, the CV alone may not be sufficient so the CV may be augmented by at least a draft of the teaching/education portion of the promotion dossier. Candidates recommended for full review are then asked to submit a complete Promotion Dossier and receive information on how to proceed using the on-line academic promotion system. It is expected that candidates will have access to Hospital Chiefs, the Chair of the Department, the DPC Chair, administrative assistants in charge of promotions and/or DPC members to provide further guidance in preparing the Promotion Dossier.</td>
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| 4     | By July 31, 2024                              | • The Promotion Dossier is reviewed by the DPC. Candidates are informed as to whether the DPC supports promotion.  
• The DPC suggests alterations to the Promotion Dossier if required.  
• Names of potential internal and external referees and student assessors are requested from the candidate, if promotion is supported. |
| 5     | By September 1, 2024                          | • The candidate uploads the revised dossier and submits referee names to the DPC. |
| 6     | By September 30, 2024                         | • The Chair of the Department and the DPC add referee names to the lists submitted by the candidate. The Chair ensures that referees have no direct relationship with the candidate.  
• The DPC reviews the Promotion Dossier and decides whether to proceed. If so, the Chair of the Department sends out requests for letters of reference. This manual has appended template letters for review requests, which should be used to ensure uniformity across the Faculty. |
| 7     | October 15, 2024 (U of T Deadline)             | Final deadline for Associate Professors to request consideration for promotion in writing to the Chair. An updated CV must be attached.  
**NOTE:** This is a University deadline but is past the deadlines set by Temerty Faculty of Medicine. Candidates in the Temerty Faculty of Medicine are strongly urged to adhere to Faculty timetables for promotion submissions. Nonetheless, faculty who request detailed consideration for promotion by October 15 will receive full consideration for promotion by the DPC. |
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| 8     | October 31, 2024 (HARD DEADLINE)              | Deadline for the Chair to request Waiver of External Review  
  • Submit request with an updated CV |
| 9     | November and December 2024 (note holiday closure from December 24, 2024 to January 3, 2025) |  
  • The DPC meets to review the final Promotion Dossier, including letters of reference, and makes final recommendations on each candidate to the Chair.  
  • Successful candidates are informed by letter that their Promotion Dossier will be submitted to the Decanal Promotion Committee (DecPC).  
  • The Chair informs candidates not recommended for promotion in writing, including reasons for the decision and suggestions for future reapplication.  
  • If the Chair does not accept a recommendation for promotion from the DPC, the candidate is informed with a statement describing the Departmental decision and a summary of the evidence considered.  
  • Candidates not recommended for promotion at the Departmental level may apply to the DecPC for consideration. The Chair of the Department should forward the Promotion Dossier with a statement describing the Department’s decision and a summary of the evidence considered.  
  • All Promotion Committees are advisory to the Dean, who has final approval. |
| 10    | By January 13, 2025 (HARD DEADLINE)           | Submission of materials to the Decanal Promotion Committee (DecPC)  
  • For each candidate for promotion, the Chair writes a separate letter of recommendation to the Dean providing details of the basis for the recommendation.  
    See page number 66 of this manual for requirements for this letter.  
    A sample letter is outlined on page number 67.  
  • The Chair’s letter and the Promotion Dossier for each candidate must be submitted to the Dean using the on-line academic promotion system, by JANUARY 15TH, 2024.  
  NOTE: This is a firm deadline. No further documentation will be added to promotion packages after this date. Late submissions or incomplete dossiers will not be reviewed by the DecPC. |
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| 11    | **February 11-14, 2025** (Decanal Review meetings) and **April 1-2, 2025** (Decanal Deferral meetings) *Deferral meeting dates should be blocked in Chair’s calendar.* | **DecPC Review Process**  
- The DecPC meets to review all submitted Promotion Dossiers.  
- If a decision on promotion is deferred, detailed reasons will be provided in writing to the Chair of the Department to be conveyed to the candidate.  
- The Chair will be invited to appear before the DecPC in support of a deferred candidate. Additional documentation may be provided at this stage. If additional letters of reference are to be presented, these must be from new referees. The Chair of the Department, the Chair of the DPC, if a separate one exists, and the candidate should all be involved in the preparation of additional information. In the event the Chair who has prepared and submitted the dossier has stepped down and is not available for a deferral meeting, the new Chair should work with the Chair of the DPC who oversaw the submission of the dossier to present the material at the deferral meeting.  
- The DecPC finalizes its recommendations to the Dean to promote or not to promote.  

*Dean’s Review*  
- After review, the Dean advises Chairs of the DecPC recommendations. Chairs should advise candidates with detailed reasons where the decision is not to recommend promotion. |
| 12    | **mid-April or May, 2025** | The Dean makes recommendations for promotion to the Provost and sends the Provost a report concerning the candidates for promotion.  
**Provostial Review**  
The Provost reviews the Dean’s report and informs Academic Board of the names of those promoted. Chairs are notified immediately with detailed reasons concerning faculty who have not been recommended to the Provost for promotion. Chairs should notify unsuccessful candidates with written detailed reasons as soon as possible. |
| 13    | **July 1, 2025** | Approved promotions are effective. |