

Welcome to the ADVANCE Spring  
Quarterly Leadership Workshop

**“A Discussion On Models For  
Faculty Workload Distribution  
And Merit Reviews”**

May 23, 2012

# Agenda

**10:00 – 10:10: Welcome**

**10:10 – 10:45 : Panel Presentation & Discussion**

**10:45 – 11:00: Large Group Polling**

**11:00 – 11:45: Facilitated Small Group Discussion**

**11:45 – 12:30: Networking Lunch**

# Department of Construction Management

## Faculty Workload

- **Teaching Load**

- Tenured – 4 courses per year
- Assistant Professor – 3 courses per year
- Lecturer – 6 courses per year

- **Advising Load**

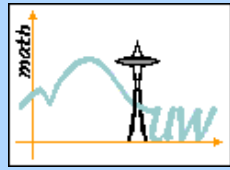
- 5 juniors
- 5 seniors
- 5 masters degree students

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## Merit Review

- Faculty submit **Annual Report** addressing contributions in:
  - Teaching
  - Research and Scholarly Work
  - Service
- **Teaching Evaluations**
  - Peer Review
  - Student Evaluations

# Teaching Credit System



Annual teaching: 3.3 points

Courses worth: 0.65 - 0.85

PhD advising: 0.5 per thesis

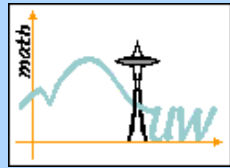
Major service jobs: 0.2 – 0.3

Buyouts: Matched up to 1.1

Balance carried forward

Advantages: Flexible, fair, divisible currency

# Merit Evaluation and Raises



1. Evaluate: 0 to 5, in steps of 0.5  
Rate separately: Research, Teaching, Service  
Overall Merit M: Non-formulaic
2. Merit: About half of raise pool  
Linear formula, e.g.  $1 + 0.5 * (M - 1)$
3. (Merit-based) Compression:  
Uses target salary curves (exponential, based on M)  
Calculate total dept compression, fill in, cap

# Group Discussion

- Clicker Questions
  - Faculty Merit Review Models
  - Faculty Workload Models
- Small Group by topic
- Large Group report out

# MERIT REVIEWS – CLICKER QUESTIONS



## Who sees merit review packets?

1. Only department chair
2. Only departmental committee and department chair
3. Only faculty at higher rank than faculty under evaluation
4. All faculty
5. Other

# Who provides input to merit review evaluation?

1. Only department chair
2. Only departmental committee and department chair
3. Only faculty at higher rank than faculty under evaluation
4. All faculty
5. Other

## Who see merit review outcome?

1. Only see one's own outcome
2. See everyone's outcomes in the aggregate
3. See everyone's outcomes by name
4. Other

## Does your department have a faculty merit review evaluation rubric?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

# WORKLOAD– CLICKER QUESTIONS

# Who assigns/determines faculty workload?

1. Only department chair
2. Only departmental committee and department chair
3. Other

## Workload Negotiations (except new hires)

Chapter 24 of the faculty codes lists that faculty workload distribution should be 40% teaching, 40% research, and 20% service unless otherwise negotiated. Outside of new faculty hire negotiations, what percent of your faculty have negotiated a different workload than the standard 40-40-20 distribution?

1. 0-5%
2. 5-15%
3. 15 – 40%
4. 40-60%
5. 60 – 100%

# Workload Negotiations (all faculty)

Including new faculty hire negotiations (new hires often have a reduced teaching load for a fixed period of time), what percent of your faculty have negotiated a different workload than the standard 40-40-20 distribution?

1. 0-5%
2. 5-15%
3. 15 – 40%
4. 40-60%
5. 60 – 100%



## Assigned Workload Distribution

What percentage of your department's faculty have been assigned a different faculty workload than the standard 40-40-20 distribution? (e.g. assigned additional teaching responsibilities, assigned additional service responsibilities)

1. 0-5%
2. 5-15%
3. 15 – 40%
4. 40-60%
5. 60 – 100%

# SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

# Topic Selection

In which small group topic discussion would you like to participate?

1. faculty workload distribution
2. faculty merit review models

# Faculty Workload Small Group Discussion questions

- How do you fairly distribute faculty workload in your unit?
- What have some of the issues been for determining a fair workload distribution in your unit?
- How does workload distribution factor into merit reviews?
- What warrants extra teaching assignments?
- What creative strategies has your department used to address faculty workload?

# Faculty Merit Review Small Group

## Discussion questions

- How do you fairly evaluate someone whose scholarship is outside traditional department or disciplinary boundaries?
- What warrants a non-meritorious rating in the annual faculty review?
- What are the benefits and challenges of your current faculty merit review process?
- How does workload distribution factor into merit reviews?
- What would you like to change in your faculty merit review process, and how will you implement such a change?