Graduate Faculty, SOE

Full members
To qualify to become a graduate faculty full member, a salaried, benefits-eligible faculty member or academic administrator with faculty status shall have, at minimum, the following credentials:

- A terminal degree (PhD or EdD in an education-related field);
- A record of recent effective teaching;
- In addition to receiving a recommendation from the SOE Director of Graduate Studies, faculty members applying to become graduate faculty full members should secure a recommendation from an academic dean and department chair as part of their application to the UVU Graduate Council. This recommendation should be made on the basis of department chair and/or peer evaluations that present evidence that the faculty member’s teaching practice includes the following elements:
  - Demonstrates current understanding and application of content
  - Is student-centered both in the course of instruction and with reference to availability
  - Uses accepted best practices in teaching including student-engaged learning
  - Develops and uses appropriate assessments including those that hold students accountable for their learning process and demonstrating mastery
  - Models professional and ethical responsibility
- A continuing record of scholarship in education-related areas;
  - A faculty member applying to become a graduate faculty full member should initiate and/or collaborate in empirical and theoretical research that enhances knowledge about the faculty member’s area(s) of expertise in teaching and learning. This research should lead to a combination of the two or more of the following every five years: presentations of scholarly work; peer-reviewed, scholarly work; technical publications for the University or SOE; or other scholarly activities (as approved by the SOE Dean).
  - A record of participation on graduate student committees, either as a chair or committee member
- A continuing record of service on department, college, and/or university committees and/or service with professional or community organizations.

Associate members
To qualify to become a graduate faculty associate member, a salaried, benefits-eligible faculty member, academic administrator, or adjunct instructor shall have, at minimum, the following credentials:
• Earned terminal degree in education or a field related to the program in which the faculty member will be teaching;

• A faculty member applying to become a graduate faculty associate member should secure a recommendation from an academic dean and department chair, as part of their application to the UVU Graduate Council, in addition to a recommendation from the SOE Director of Graduate Studies. This recommendation should be made on the basis of department chair and/or peer evaluations that present evidence that the faculty member’s teaching practice includes the following elements:
  o Demonstrates current understanding and application of content
  o Is student-centered both in the course of instruction and with reference to availability
  o Uses accepted best practices in teaching including student-engaged learning
  o Develops and uses appropriate assessments including those that hold students accountable for their learning process and demonstrating mastery
  o Models professional and ethical responsibility

• Continuing record of scholarship or recent work-related experience related to the courses s/he will be teaching.

Professional Members
Tenured or tenure-track faculty members are not eligible to become graduate faculty professional members. To qualify to become a graduate faculty professional member, a non-tenured or non-tenure track, full-time faculty member or adjunct instructor shall have, at minimum, the following credentials:
• Earned master’s degree;
• Record of recent professional experience relevant to the area in which s/he will be teaching;
• Record of effective teaching, leadership, or facilitation in the area of education.
• Recommendation from the SOE academic dean and a department chair, required for their application to the UVU Graduate Council; recommendation from the SOE Director of Graduate Studies.