

Affiliated Faculty Policy
University of Mississippi School of Law
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Promotion of Collaborations to Advance Our Joint Academic Mission

The purpose of this policy is to recognize and promote mutually beneficial collaborations between UM law faculty and valued UM colleagues in other units to advance the joint academic mission of the Law School and other important schools and departments that make up the University.

Affiliated Faculty Status and Contributions to the Mission of the Law School

The Law School may formally recognize worthy UM faculty members from other units as affiliated faculty when those faculty members make substantial and sustained contributions to the academic mission of the Law School. Examples of collaborative activities that contribute to the Law School's mission include:

- Co-authoring scholarship, working jointly on research projects, or collaborating on grant proposals
- Exchanging drafts of articles, book chapters, or books for comment and critique
- Participating in the Law School's speaking events or workshop program
- Jointly organizing scholarly activities--such as speakers, panels, symposia, or field research
- Team-teaching, guest lecturing, or advising students in conjunction with law faculty
- Inviting law faculty to speak at events or participate in workshops hosted by other units

Meaning and Benefits of Affiliated Faculty Status

Conferral of affiliated faculty status is a formal recognition of a special collaborative relationship existing between the Law School and UM faculty with other home units. UM faculty who are formally recognized as affiliated faculty may use the title "Affiliated Faculty, University of Mississippi School of Law." Affiliated faculty will appear on the Law School website with that designation and can expect to receive regular and substantial opportunities to participate in the life of the Law School and interact with the members of the law faculty (e.g., invitations to selected workshops, faculty presentations, and Law School receptions and inclusion on electronic mailing lists which provide Law School community news and notice of events).

Conferral of affiliated faculty status by the Law School is not an academic appointment in the Law School and carries with it no entitlement to any compensation or participation in internal governance.

Process for Conferral of Affiliated Faculty Status

UM faculty who would like to be considered for affiliated faculty status should send the Dean of the Law School a current resume or vita along with application materials which highlight past, present, and likely future collaborative contributions to the mission of the Law School.

The Dean shall forward these materials to an appropriate committee (e.g., one with responsibility for personnel decisions such as review of adjunct or visitor candidates). The committee shall

review the materials and may then forward the applicant to the law faculty who vote on appointments for consideration and an approval vote.

Approval by the faculty shall require a two-thirds majority of the members who are present and voting. The vote shall be by secret ballot. The Dean shall confer affiliated faculty status on applicants who are approved by the faculty.

Term of Affiliated Faculty Status

The faculty approval vote shall specify a limited 1, 2, or 3 year term of recognition as affiliated faculty. After this period, the recognition will automatically sunset unless renewed for an additional 1, 2, or 3 year term by an additional faculty approval vote. Affiliated faculty should submit supporting materials outlining their ongoing contributions to the Law School well before the end of their term if they seek renewal.

The duration of any term cannot exceed the appointment term of the faculty member in his or her school or department, except in the case of retired or emeritus faculty.