



College of Arts and Sciences
Natural Science Departments

Scholarship Expectations for Tenure and Promotion

The following scholarship expectations are presented as general guidelines to aid in the review of candidate dossiers from the following departments:
Atmospheric Sciences, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, & Physics

For Tenure

- A positive trajectory of scholarship.
- 2-3 peer-reviewed publications, including evidence of substantial efforts since coming to Creighton.
- Regular participation at regional/national/international meetings, with 1-2 scholarly presentations annually.
- Submission of one or more intramural or extramural grant applications.

For Promotion to Associate Professor

- A positive trajectory of scholarship
- 3-4 peer-reviewed publications, including evidence of substantial and significant efforts since coming to Creighton.
- Regular participation at regional/national/international meetings, with 1-2 scholarly presentations annually.
- Submission of one or more grant applications, including one for extramural support.

For Promotion to Professor

- Continuation and amplification of scholarship, including 5-7 additional peer-reviewed publications since promotion to associate professor, preferably with some evidence of primary authorship.
- Regular participation at regional/national/international meetings, with 1-2 scholarly presentations annually; invited presentations at large meetings or at other academic institutions have extra significance.
- Continued submission of extramural grant applications, preferably with success in obtaining external support.
- Service on journal editorial boards, granting agencies, external program reviews, etc.

Notes:

Other strong evidence of scholarship would include patents, books, and pedagogical innovations such as well-received software, methods/techniques, and videos.

In evaluating publications, it is reasonable to consider the quality of publications, the candidate's contribution(s), and the involvement of Creighton students in the research. Primary authorship of publications with large numbers of citations in high-level journals carries greater weight than publications in which the candidate is a minor co-author of a lower-tier journal article.

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