

*Scholarly Standards for Tenure and
Promotion, Department of Philosophy*

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1. Notes Regarding Criteria in Scholarship

In the Creighton University context, philosophy textbooks and translations may be regarded as important scholarly works.

Since extramural funding for research in philosophy is very rare, the Department does not expect faculty members to demonstrate success in this area.

We consider chapters in books published by credible scholarly presses as generally equivalent to articles published in peer-reviewed scholarly publications. In the following we include such book chapters under the term "articles published in peer-reviewed scholarly journals."

We consider the editing of scholarly books and textbooks, serving as the editor of a journal or a book series or editing a special issue of a journal to count as very significant scholarship.

2. Scholarship Expectations for Tenure:

The Philosophy Department recognizes that special circumstances may make granting tenure without promotion to Associate Professor the appropriate action. For example, the faculty member, for legitimate reasons, had a slow start in his or her scholarly work, but now has what can be recognized as a potentially fruitful agenda.

The usual expectation is the publication of five articles in scholarly publications three or more of which are peer-reviewed, that is, an average of about one article per probationary year. Of course, the publication (or confirmed acceptance for publication) of a book with a credible scholarly press counts as a very significant scholarly accomplishment.

Evidence of additional on-going scholarly activity may be given by presentations at scholarly conferences, regular participation in meetings, seminars, and workshops, the publication of book reviews, or refereeing scholarly publications, etc. This on-going scholarly activity should represent a plausible program for on-going research.

3. Scholarship Expectations for Associate Professor:

The usual expectation is the publication of five articles in scholarly publications four or more of which are peer-reviewed, that is, an average of about one article per probationary year. Of course, the publication (or confirmed acceptance for publication) of a book with a credible scholarly press counts as a very significant scholarly accomplishment.

Evidence of additional on-going scholarly activity may be given by presentations at scholarly conferences, regular participation in meetings, seminars, and workshops, the publication of book reviews, or refereeing scholarly publications, etc. This on-going scholarly activity should represent a plausible program for on-going research.

4. Scholarship Expectations for Professor:

This involves continuation and amplification of scholarship done at the associate level: Ordinarily, a well-received book published by a recognized scholarly press along with several articles published in peer-reviewed scholarly journals, or more than one such book. Alternatively, approximately 5 - 7 articles in peer-reviewed scholarly journals in addition to those required for promotion to Associate Professor.

National or international standing among one's scholarly peers may be evidenced by presentations at scholarly conferences, citations of one's work, translation of one's work into a foreign language, selection as an invited speaker for a scholarly meeting or lecture series, election to office in a scholarly society, editorial work for a scholarly journal or series of books, or regular contributions as an invited book reviewer, etc.