Foundation Professorships recognize those faculty members who have demonstrated outstanding performance as teachers and who are recognized by their colleagues as exemplifying outstanding qualities relating to the University’s stated missions in teaching, service, and research. Selection of these professorships shall be based on the criteria listed under section I.B below.

I. Nomination

A. All full-time, tenured faculty members, whose major responsibility is teaching, and who hold the rank of Professor for a minimum of five years, are eligible to be nominated.

B. Any full-time, tenured faculty member may submit a nomination for another qualified member. Self-nominations are not permitted. Nominations will consist of the following criteria:
   i. Nomination Form: The completed nomination form should be the first page of the nomination.
   ii. Narrative: Please describe the nominee’s extraordinary success in teaching by providing a narrative that addresses the following criteria:
      • Outstanding teaching skills: using a variety of effective instructional techniques; motivating students to a high level of interest, and guiding students to a high level of learning and achievement;
      • Distinguished expertise or accomplishment in the discipline;
      • Self-motivated and enthusiastic about university teaching;
      • Creative and resourceful in fulfilling teaching responsibilities;
      • Exemplary in linking service and research to excellence in teaching;
      • Recognized by colleagues as making significant contributions for the good and advancement of the department, college, and university, rather than simply promoting one’s own career;
      • Perceived as a team player, a collaborator, or a mentor for colleagues, students and in the community.

   Please limit this narrative to no more than five double-spaced pages.
   iii. Nominee’s Vita: Provide a current vita.

C. Nomination materials shall be submitted to the Chair of the Foundation Professor Selection Committee no later than the last Friday in October (October 26, 2001).

II. Preliminary Selection

The Foundation Professor Selection Committee will give full consideration to all eligible faculty nominated and, based on these nominations, select up to six Foundation Professor Candidates. Everyone who submitted a nomination will be notified of the committee’s selections by the last Friday in November (November 30, 2001).

III. Submission of Additional Material

The Foundation Professor Selection Committee will request additional material, including but not limited to supporting recommendations from the nominee’s department, chair and dean, for each of the final candidates selected in part II. This material will be submitted to the committee no later than the second Friday in January (January 11, 2002).

IV. Final Selection

The University Foundation Professorship Committee shall review all material submitted, conduct personal interviews with the candidates, and recommend the finalists to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research no later than the third Friday in February (February 15, 2002). The Provost shall transmit the recommendation, along with his own recommendation, to the President who shall notify the successful candidates. The Provost will notify the unsuccessful candidates. Announcement of the awards to the university community will be made in a timely way through appropriate university publications and the local news media.

V. Expectation

The Foundation Professor is expected to serve as an exemplar for the academic community. It is expected that the unique talents of the recipients will be shared with colleagues, in particular with junior members of the University faculty. The salary supplement of $5,000 for a Foundation Professor assumes employment at full salary. There will be a proportionate reduction in the salary supplement for Foundation Professors who are not in full-time status at full salary, e.g. leave without pay for a semester or academic year sabbatical at one-half salary.