

Expectations of Joint Members

Department of Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics

University Expectations:

Full-time members of academic departments at McMaster University may hold Joint memberships in additional departments at McMaster University to facilitate academic exchange. Joint memberships must be approved by the individual's primary department Chair; the Dean of both Faculties if more than one Faculty is involved; the Dean of Graduate Studies if graduate teaching is involved; and finally by the VP Academic/Provost.

CE&B Expectations:

Joint membership in the Department of Clinical Epidemiology is predicated on a notion of mutual relationship, whereby both the Joint member and the Department benefit. Joint memberships are normally reserved for faculty members who have primary appointments in other departments but who are heavily involved with the academic activities in CE&B and to recognize long standing relationships with some of our associate members. Our joint memberships have no end date and therefore joint members are not subject to the review and renewal process (subject to the Chair's discretion).

Joint members are expected to contribute to the research, education and service missions of the Department and to enhance the academic environment of the Department. Joint members should be independent researchers and, typically, would contribute at least 4 teaching sessions (typically each 3 hours in length) per year to courses of one or more of the educational programs supported by the department (i.e., the Health Research Methodology graduate program, the Health Policy Program, the eHealth Program, the Bachelor of Health Sciences undergraduate program or the Community Medicine Residency Program).

Appointment Process:

Individuals must be nominated for Joint membership by the chair of the department in which the candidate holds the primary appointment. The nominated individual should meet with the Chair of CE&B or the Associate Chair of CE&B. The DEC and the Assistant Dean HRM or the program directors of the other graduate programs may also be asked to discuss potential areas of collaboration and contribution. Additional meetings with members of CE&B will be arranged to facilitate this discussion. Letters of nomination, a letter from the candidate, an up to date CV and results of any meetings will be presented for consideration to the Department Appointments Committee by the Associate Chair. Memberships will be granted for a 3 year period (up to 5 years if the candidate has CAWAR/Tenure) barring earlier termination of appointment in the primary department. Those individuals still at the

Assistant Professor level may be assigned a CE&B research mentor to assist in developing their research career, if this is felt to be mutually agreeable.

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