

## Section 3

### Graduate Faculty and Research Interests

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#### Graduate Faculty Definition

The University of South Florida recognizes Graduate Faculty and Affiliate Graduate Faculty.

**Graduate Faculty** is defined to consist of all tenure-track or tenured faculty appointed at the Assistant, Associate, or Professor rank, who holds a terminal degree or equivalent in their discipline. Graduate Faculty members are eligible to teach graduate courses and may direct and serve on master's, specialist, and doctoral level committees. To chair a doctoral level committee, a Graduate Faculty member must engage in current and sustained scholarly, creative, or research activities, such as publications, performances, exhibitions, patents, inventions and research grants.

**Affiliate Graduate Faculty** membership may be granted by the Graduate School Dean to individuals whose skills or expertise meet criteria established by the College. Affiliate Graduate Faculty membership is in effect for a specified period of time and specific purposes. Affiliate members may be eligible to teach graduate courses, to serve on master's, specialist, and doctoral level committees, to direct master's and specialist's level committees, and to co-direct doctoral level committees, at the discretion of the College. Emeritus Professors and retired or recently resigned professors may also be appointed as Affiliate Graduate Faculty with the approval of the College and Graduate School Dean.

For a current list of Graduate Faculty and Affiliate Graduate Faculty in any program contact the program director or coordinator.

#### Searchable Faculty Database

On the Graduate School website is a searchable database that provides information on graduate faculty and research interests. <http://www.grad.usf.edu/programs/faculty.asp>