

GETTING APPOINTED TO THE RESEARCH COUNCIL

The Research Council (RC) is a standing council of the University Of South Florida System Faculty Council (SFC), and reports to the SFC and the Senior Vice President for Research & Innovation. The RC is operated and managed by the Faculty Senate of USF Tampa on behalf of the SFC, and the RC reports to that body.

To be eligible to serve on the RC, nominees must be full-time members of the general faculty holding the rank of Research, Clinical, Visiting, Assistant-In, Associate-In, Lecturer, Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor, Assistant Librarian, Associate Librarian, or Librarian.

Service on the RC is generally for three years commencing with the Fall Semester, although allowance may be made for nominees to request initial appointment for fewer than three years, but not less than one year. Since RC members conduct the Internal Award selection process for USF Research & Innovation, they are eligible (with the exception of the current chair) to apply for an Internal Award, while serving on the RC, within the guidelines outlined in the RC Charge on page 3.

The RC meets at USF Research & Innovation (USFRI) in the Multi-Purpose Room, #132, at 3702 Spectrum Boulevard, Suite 165, Tampa, FL 33612, twice each month during the fall and spring semesters and on an *ad hoc* basis, as needed, during the summer. The meetings are scheduled for alternating Mondays from 10:30am to 12:00pm.

Faculty may nominate themselves to serve on the RC by filling out the [Nomination form for Service on University-Wide and Faculty Senate Committees and Councils](#) available here and on the [Faculty Senate website](#). Nomination forms are reviewed by the Faculty Senate Committee on Committees and potential appointees are reviewed and confirmed by the Senate Executive Committee before being sent to the Senior Vice President for Research & Innovation for final review and appointment. If all positions from a particular college have been filled, nominees may be considered for one of the two "At Large" positions (if open) or may be invited to serve on another committee or council of the Faculty Senate.